

Daily Reading: Sabryna and the River Spirit 1

Aim: I can discuss words and phrases which capture the reader's interest and imagination.



This activity sheet relates to the **Daily Reading video for Chapter 1** of Sabryna and the River Spirit.

Chapter 1

During the Video



Watch the video, where you will hear Chapter 1 being read to you. There will be some questions to answer during this video. You may choose to write your answers to these questions here. If you decide to do this, pause the video to give yourself time to write.

1. On page 2, there is an example of onomatopoeia. Can you find it?

Why do you think the author has used onomatopoeia?

2. In the same paragraph, there is a word which tells you how the wool cart is moving. Can you find it?

What does this word tell you about the ground underneath the wheels?

3. 'Her hair bubbled like river rapids.' What is the word for this type of imagery?

Can you find another example in this paragraph?

After the Video



Answer these questions after watching the video. Look carefully in the eBook for the answers and use what you have learned in the first section.

4. Read the paragraph on page 3 beginning 'Sabryna bowed her head...'. Find and copy a word which tells you that the merchants' daughters were moving in a busy and energetic way.
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5. On page 5, Sabryna arrives at the river and finds a baby beakling. Read the paragraph beginning "Don't worry, little one..." and write a simile to finish this sentence:
"She untangled the panicking chick from the weeds, clutching its downy body between her palms like _____."
6. Read the paragraph on page 6 beginning "My fish are dwindling...". What does the word 'sluggish' tell you about the water in Dia's river?
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7. Read the paragraph on page 7 beginning 'Sabryna blinked.' Can you find an example of onomatopoeia in this paragraph?
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8. Read the paragraph on page 7 beginning 'Sabryna nodded and...'. What do you think 'lurched' means? What does it tell you about the way the mountainside seemed to move?
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Deeper Reading

9. Read the paragraph on page 4 beginning 'Sabryna jumped.' What is your favourite word or phrase in this paragraph? Explain why it captures your interest or imagination.

10. What do you think of Sabryna's character so far? Use evidence to support your ideas.

Related Activity

Draw a picture of what you think a river spirit might look like and write three **similes** to describe them.