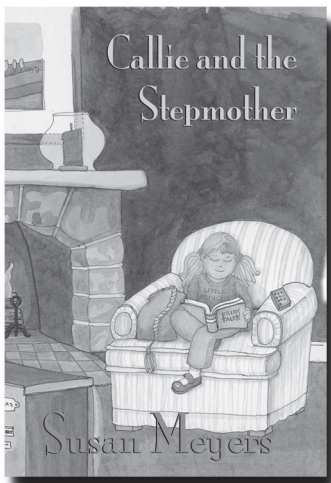


Callie and the Stepmother

Susan A. Meyers

Lesson Plans



Callie and the Stepmother by Susan A. Meyers is an early chapter book designed for readers aged 7 and up. We have compiled the following suggestions to help integrate our book into your classroom or library. All of our teacher guides can be found online at www.bloomingtreepress.com.

ISBN: 0-9718348-0-6 Callie meets the following TEKS:

Grade 2 Social Studies:

§113.4b2 – History/concept of time

Grade 2 English:

- §110.4b5 – Reading/word identification
- §110.5b6 – Reading/fluency
- §110.5b7 – Reading/variety of texts
- §110.5b8 – Reading/vocabulary development
- §110.5b9 – Reading/comprehension
- §110.5b10 – Reading/literary response
- §110.5b11 – Reading/test structures/literary concepts
- §110.5b12 – Reading/inquiry/research
- §100.5b13 – Reading/culture

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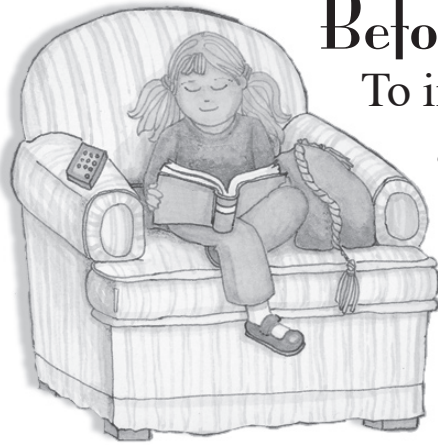
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- §100.5b14 – Reading/culture



Discussion Questions

Before Your Students Read:

To introduce this book to your students, discuss the title, author and illustrator. Discuss the type of book with your students.



As Your Students Read:

Help your students with unfamiliar words they may encounter. These are some suggested vocabulary

words or words they may have difficulty reading.

satisfaction

disguise

panicking

reasonable

casserole

imagined

wickedly

complained

morsel

probably

fetching

astonished

threatened

understood

Golden Delicious

visions

certainly

(apple type)

After Your Students Read:

Ask your students to break into small groups of three or four to discuss the following questions.

1. Why is Callie worried about being left alone with her stepmother, Pam?
2. How does Pam treat Callie? Is it how Callie expected? How did you expect Pam to act?
3. Does anyone in the group have a stepparent? Has anyone ever had fears similar to Callie's? What did that person do?

Name _____

Date _____

Story Elements:

Setting:

Where does the story take place?

Characters:

Who are the two main characters?

Who are the supporting characters?

Problem:

What is the main problem?

Solution:

What is the solution?

Story Order:

Put the following story events in the correct order:

- _____ Callie goes to the store.
- _____ Callie and her stepmother talk in Callie's new room.
- _____ Pam makes Matt clean the fireplace.
- _____ Callie's father leaves for a few days.
- _____ Pam makes Callie a casserole for dinner.
- _____ Callie dreams she has to clean the fireplace.



Title

Author

Illustrator

Kind of Story

(circle one)

fiction / nonfiction

realistic / fantasy



Name _____

Date _____

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Do the following word search using words from the book:

S Y C P L C L S Z S F F
H A A A A I E H E H I B
S M T L S L V R G R W D
J B L I P S A E E U O T
G I Y P S M E P V O X F
E Y A J T F L R G W Y Z
O S Q H U A A Y O F C U
D K G P C E H C E L U G
J I I E R Z G Q T D E W
N P R I N C E S S I J K
R E H T O M P E T S O M
N O S I O P W K G K H N

APPLES
CALLIE
CASSEROLE
EVIL
FIREPLACE
GOOD

NIGHTMARES
PAM
POISON
PRINCESS
SATISFACTION
STEPMOTHER

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