

Grade Level: Grade 3

Subject: Language

Objective:

- Students will be able to comprehend and retell the main events of the story "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember".
- Students will discuss the theme of friendship and how it is portrayed in the story.
- Students will reflect on a time when they needed support and encouragement from their friends.
- Students will create an extension activity related to the story.

Materials:

- Copy of the story "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember"
- Chart paper and markers
- Index cards

Introduction:

- 1. Tell the students that today they will be reading a story called "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember". Ask if anyone knows what the word "race" means.
- 2. Show the cover of the story and ask students to predict what they think the story might be about based on the cover and the title.
- 3. Read the story aloud to the class.

Story Comprehension:

- 1. After reading the story, ask the students to recall the main characters and their unique qualities.
- 2. Have a brief discussion about the main events of the story, focusing on Scooter's nervousness and how his friends helped him overcome his fears.
- 3. Display the chart paper and create a story map together as a class, labelling the main characters and the sequence of events in the story.

Discussion and Reflection:

1. Lead a discussion about the theme of friendship in the story. Ask students to share examples of how the Jungle Buddyz supported Scooter and encouraged him during the race.

- 2. Ask students to reflect on a time when they needed support and encouragement from their friends. Have them share their experiences in pairs or small groups.
- 3. As a whole class, discuss the importance of having friends who believe in you and support you.

Conclusion:

- 1. Have students individually write a short paragraph reflecting on the story and the theme of friendship. Encourage them to discuss what they learned from the story and how they can apply it to their own lives.
- 2. As a closing activity, invite a few students to share their paragraphs with the class.

Extension Activity:

- 1. Divide the class into small groups and provide each group with index cards.
- 2. Explain to the students that they will be creating their own "Jungle Buddyz" story. Each group should create a new adventure for the Jungle Buddyz, focusing on themes of friendship, support, and overcoming challenges.
- 3. In their stories, students should include at least three different characters with unique qualities, a problem or challenge that the characters need to overcome, and examples of how the characters support and encourage each other.
- 4. After completing their stories, have each group share their story with the class.