

June 2nd - 5th, 2020

Work for Ms Dermody's War Horse novel group, 5th class.

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Hi Girls,

I hope you are all well. I am sending you work on the rest of the novel. This is our last week of War Horse work. We have read as far as chapter 20 and we have only one chapter left, so congratulations, you are nearly there! Just a reminder, there is a copy of the novel on the website in case you don't have a copy of it at home. Just click on the link. (no need to print it).



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Tuesday: Read chapter 21 and answer the comprehension questions in your copy with full sentences!

Questions

1. Emilie's grandfather bought Joey! After he spoke with Major Martin and Sergeant Thunder, he came to Albert. What did the man say to Albert? What was the promise that he made Albert keep?
2. How much money did Albert have to give the man to buy Joey?
3. What happened to Emilie?
4. Once Joey got back home to his family and Maisie, what happened?

Words

Commiserating

Levity

Proposition

Acceptance

Rapturous

Or write a 6-8 sentence summary of the chapter.

Look up 4 of the words in your dictionary and then put them into sentences.

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday:



Congratulations on finishing the novel!

For the rest of the week, you could do some or all of these activities. Here are some questions to get you started...

Were the predictions you made before reading the book correct?

Why do you think that the book was written from the horse's point of view?

- What war is taking place? Where does Albert live?
 - Why do you think that Albert's father treats Joey so badly?
 - Joey seems to have a good feel of the character of people. Why do you think this is the case?
 - Describe Captain Nicholls' attitude about the war and the use of the cavalry. Describe Herr Haupt-mann's attitude about the war. How are they similar? How do they differ from other peoples' thinking?
 - If you were reading the story from Captain Nicholls' point of view, what would be the differences in the description of the first battle?
 - Why were Joey and Tophorn such a comfort to the wounded men? What can give you comfort in tough situations?
 - Discuss the new technology that comes about in this war. Compare and contrast this war with previous war technology. Is Joey useful in this war situation? Why or why not?
 - How did Joey feel when he was trapped in No Man's Land?
 - When both the Welshman and the German were trying to help Joey, whom did you want to take the horse? Why? What did the event say about how the soldiers on both sides really felt about the war?
 - Joey had relationships with several people in the book – Albert, Captain Nicholls, Warren, and Emile. Joey was a confidante to these people. Why do you think that it was so easy for these people to talk to Joey so openly? In what way was this comforting to them?
- How did you feel when Joey finally found Albert? Discuss the path that Albert might have taken to put himself in a



position to find Joey again. Compare and contrast Joey's journey with the one that Albert might have made.

Joey and the other characters:

The Great War had a massive impact on Joey. He weathered through it and gave encouragement to the people and animals around him. Describe each of the relationships that Joey had with the following people or animals.

Joey's Mother

Albert

Albert's father

Zoey

Captain Nicholls

Corporal Perkins

Topthorn

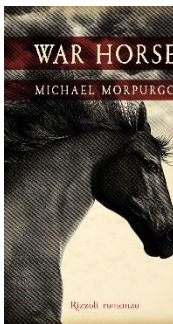
Trooper Warren

Emilie

Emilie's grandfather


Friedrich


After describing each relationship (above) complete the following:



1) Circle the relationship that had the most impact on other people or animals.



2) Place a star  by the relationship that meant the most to Joey.

3) Place a tick  by the relationships whereby the person or animal learned something from Joey.

4) Write a brief story as to how Joey would have had an impact on you if you were a soldier in the war.

Character Analysis:

You could also choose one of your favourite characters in the novel and write a character analysis of her/him.

I would love to see any work you have done on War Horse girls. You can send it to me at

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