Instructional/Learning Activity Task Template:

Overview

Unit Title: Narrative

Annotation: In this lesson, students will learn how to retell a read aloud in their own words focusing on the importance of sequence.

Grade, Subject, Topic, and Author: Kindergarten, Reading, Retelling, Hillary May

Special Notes To Teacher:
- Please see suggested reading list to choose a read aloud for this task. Any age appropriate book will suffice as long as it has a clear sequence of events.
- Teacher should have a bucket of read alouds that are familiar to the students sitting next to her chair.
- See attachments for ideas of charts to possibly create before the lesson is taught.

Standards

Focus Standard/Element(s):
ELAKR6 The student gains meaning from orally presented text. The student:
h) Retells important facts in the student’s own words.

Complementary Standard/Element(s):
ELAKR6 The student gains meaning from orally presented text. The student:
c) Asks and answers questions about essential narrative elements (beginning-middle-end).

Learning Goals

Essential Question(s):
What is a retelling?
What does narrative mean?
How do we find the beginning – middle – end of a story?

Knowledge: The students should understand how to retell a story in their own words using on correct sequential order.

Skills: Students will listen to a read aloud and then retell the story in their own words.
Georgia Performance Standards Framework for English Language Arts - K

**Balanced Assessment for Task**

Assessment Method/Type: Students oral retelling, rubric

Description/Directions for Assessment: Teacher observes oral retelling by students and uses checklist/rubric to assess who is showing mastery throughout this lesson or who might need additional assistance.

**Student Work Samples (optional):**

**Procedures, Directions, and Resources**

Procedures/Directions (Detailed Steps) with Approximate Duration of Each Step:

Opening: The teacher states the standard, _ELAKR6 - The student gains meaning from orally presented text. h) retells important facts in the student’s own words._ The teacher then explains what retelling is and how it is vital to notice the important parts of the story. Have chart paper accessible to chart the definition of a retelling. The teacher may choose to chart what retellings do have and what retellings do not have on the chart (_attachment_). The teacher will then read a big book (_The Little Engine That Could, _by Watty Piper). The teacher will then record her retelling on the chart paper using her own words. The teacher will then ask a student to come up and retell the story in his/her own words using the big book as an aid as he/she flips the pages. If the student is struggling, the teacher may assist the student in his/her retelling by suggesting he/she uses pictures to aid him/her (this will also ensure that the story is being told in the correct sequential order). As different students share their retelling, the teacher should point out how each student is retelling the story in his/her own words and using the pictures to help guide them along.

Worktime: The teacher will then refer to previous books that they have read aloud during Reader’s Workshop. At this time the teacher will pair students together to allow them to select a well-known book. The student will then take turns retelling the stories to one another. At this time the teacher should be circulating the room listening to student responses and making notes of children having difficulties retelling the stories in their own words. The teacher may also assist students who are struggling.

Closing: The teacher will bring all students back to the carpet and revisit the definition of a retelling. The teacher will also explain how everyone’s retelling can be similar because of the sequential order of the book. Then the teacher will ask a few individuals to come up and share his/her retelling of a familiar story. This is a time to celebrate.

**Resources, Materials, and Equipment:**
Big Book (_The Little Engine That Could, _by Watty Piper).
Familiar read aloud (see suggested list)
Chart paper
Markers
Rubric/Checklist
Differentiation for Content, Procedures, Process, and/or Learning Environment:

Remediation: Photocopy parts of the read aloud and have students work with peers to place pages in correct order then retell story in his/her own words.

Extension/Enrichment: Have students use five (5) picture cards to place in sequential order to retell a story.

*A chart of the focus of the lesson for the day, retelling and its definition, could be made during the mini-lesson.

Students could make suggestions as to what retellings are and what they are not.
This is a suggested chart that would need to be made before the lesson. This chart may be used during the mini-lesson when the teacher is retelling the parts of the story in his/her own words.
Suggested Kindergarten Reading List

Amazing Grace - Mary Hoffman
And to Think That I Saw it on Mulberry Street - Dr. Seuss
Antarctic Animals - Judy Sierra
Birdsong - Audrey Wood
Carrot Seed, The - Ruth Krauss
Cat in the Hat - Dr. Seuss
Chicken Soup with Rice - Maurice Sendak
Corduroy - Don Freeman
Doctor DeSoto - William Steig
Dr. Seuss’s ABC - Dr. Seuss
Froggy Gets Dressed - Jonathan London
Goodnight Moon - Margaret Wise Brown
Grandpa’s Teeth - Rod Clement
Gregory, the Terrible Eater - Mitchell Sharmat
Harold and the Purple Crayon - Crockett Johnson
Harry the Dirty Dog - Gene Zion
Hooray for Diffendoofer Day - Dr. Seuss
If I Ran the Zoo - Dr. Seuss
Katy No-Pocket - Emmy Payne
Little Bear - Else Minarik
Lyle, Lyle Crocodile - Bernard Waber
Make Way for Ducklings - Robert McCloskey
Mitten, The - Jan Brett
Napping House, The - Audrey Wood
Next Place, The - Warren Hanson
Old Turtle - Douglas Wood
One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish - Dr. Seuss
Runaway Bunny - Margaret Wise Brown
Stellaluna - Janell Cannon
Three Little Pigs, The
Verdi - Janell Cannon
Very Hungry Caterpillar - Eric Carle
Very Quiet Cricket, The - Eric Carle
Where the Wild Things Are - Maurice Sendak
**Lesson: Retelling**

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- Students who need remediation
+ Students who need extension