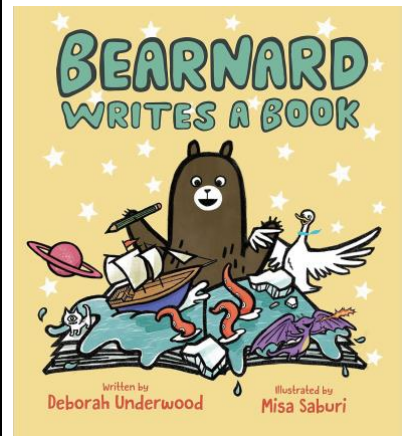


Bearnard Writes A Book

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Book Summary

Bearnard the bear that wants to write a story about his best friend Gertie the goose. The only problem is that Bearnard does not know how to write a book. Together they go to Storybook Land where they learn about the elements of writing. Bearnard's book ends up on the library shelf! Gertie is now inspired to write poetry.

Read Aloud Questions

Why did Bearnard want to write a book about Gertie?
Have you ever written a story before?
What do you think they might learn in Storybook Land?
What would happen if Bearnard lost his way?
How does reading help Bearnard?
Do you think it was a good idea to choose the river? Why or why not?
What changes might you make to Bearnards story?
What might happen if Bernard did not take a thinking walk?
What would you suggest Bearnard to add in his book?

Book Activity

Materials: brown paper plates, googly eyes, permanent markers, strips of paper, scraps of construction paper, glue.

Directions

1. Read the book aloud, stopping to discuss the parts of the writing process that Bearnard and Gertie find in Story Land.

2. After reading the story, hand out copies of the *Story Elements* graphic organizer. Reread parts of the story and stop to discuss the elements the author used to write the story. Students may draw or write the elements of the story in each of the boxes.
3. Use the graphic organizer to retell the story. The graphic organizer can also be used to allow the students an opportunity to plan and write their own story, just like Bearnard.
4. Students can share their stories with their group.



Additional Resources

- [Bearnard Bear Activity Guide](#)
- [Bearnard Writes A Book Story Map](#)
- [Story Elements Graphic Organizer](#)

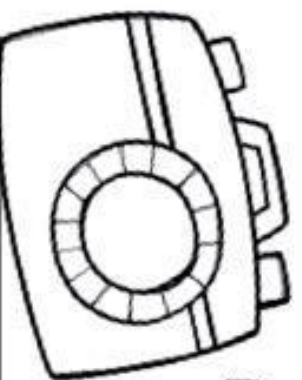
Meet the Authors



Gabriel Richardson was born in Wichita, Kansas. He loves video games, food, and animals. He has 2 sisters and one step-brother. He is in the 7th grade at Augusta Middle School. He has a lot of friends in the school. He has an award for being cool. His favorite colors are green and red. He likes to wear hoodies, even when it's 100 degrees outside!



Vivian Tennyson is a 12-year-old girl in 7th grade at Augusta Middle School. She was born in Wichita, Kansas. She plays basketball and loves to ride her bike. She also loves to write random things about herself. Especially about significant events that happen in her life, such as her trip to Michigan. Her favorite food is pasta and also loves pizza. Her favorite colors are pink and purple. Christmas in her opinion is arguably the best. Most of all she loves to spend time with her family and walk around town with her friends.



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STORY ELEMENTS

Characters

Setting

Problem

Solution

Key Events