

Online Book Club

The Mystery of Mimi's Haunted Book Shop

Bring It To Life!

1. Create a word search! Ask for a volunteer who is willing to make a crossword puzzle using words from the book. Start with the names of the main characters, followed by some places the kids explore in the book (like the attic and basement), and then throw in some "mystery words" you read in the story like spooky, cobwebs, or ghosts!
2. Draw it! Below is a list of three things you could draw related to this mystery. First, you could draw the old funeral home before the family fixed it up. Second, you could draw Wilbur. Or third, you could create a floor plan of Mimi's new book shop. Make sure you include a front reception and check-out area, rooms for different types of books, a kitchen, and bathrooms.
3. Plan a Grand Opening party for Mimi's Haunted Book Shop! Choose a date and time. Decide who to invite. Plan a menu for snacks and drinks. Create spooky decorations! Think of some games to play and select door prizes for guests. Make it a party to remember!
4. Make a map! Use the Internet to find out how far your town is from Mimi's Haunted Book Shop in Peachtree City, Georgia. Then, draw a map of the United States on a piece of poster board (include all the states). Draw a line from your town to Georgia. How many states will you pass through?



Online Quiz

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Pop Quiz

Circle the correct answers below:

1. Miss Emma drives Mimi and the kids around in a:
a. gigantic SUV b. golf cart c. red convertible
2. The Manse Funeral Home was located in what state?
a. Georgia b. California c. Florida
3. What field was Christina interested in?
a. teaching b. architecture c. medicine
4. Christina and Grant's cousins were named:
a. Avery, Ella, and Evan
b. McKenzie and Thomas
c. Michael, Cassidy, and Emma
5. What did Christina and McKenzie find in the attic?
a. boxes of valuable jewelry
b. a trap door
c. a skeleton
6. Where were Grant and Thomas trapped?
a. in the crematorium
b. in the cooling room
c. in the basement
7. What were the kids to yell if they had a problem?
a. GERONIMO! b. HELP! c. PAPA!
8. Wilbur was Mr. Manse's _____.
a. assistant b. brother c. son



Know your SAT Words!

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SAT Words



1. Candid: _____
2. Acoustic: _____
3. Grandiose: _____
4. Pedestal: _____
5. Seclusion: _____

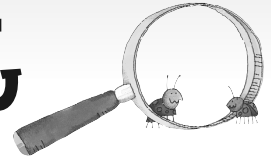
Write a sensational sentence using all five SAT Words from this mystery.



Online Activity

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Scavenger Hunt



Want to have some fun? Let's go on a scavenger hunt! See if you can find each item in the book. Good luck! *(Teachers: You have permission to reproduce this page for your students.)*

1. ____ a golf cart
2. ____ cobwebs
3. ____ a cell phone
4. ____ tombstones
5. ____ a skeleton
6. ____ a flashlight
7. ____ a spiral staircase
8. ____ a bony forearm
9. ____ a roll-top desk
10. ____ brownies shaped like books



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TALK ABOUT IT!

1. Christina, Grant, and Mimi discuss being bored during the summer. Do you ever get bored during the summer when school is out? Can you think of some things to do when you are bored on a hot summer day?
2. Mimi loves to write and she loves books! Do you like to write? Why or why not? Do you like to read books in your spare time? Why or why not?
3. Mimi loves the idea of turning an old funeral home into a book shop. Instead of listening to all the kids' objections, she tries to help them imagine what the place will look like when it is all fixed up. What is the value of positive thinking like that?
4. Miss Emma gives Mr. Manse's diary to Mimi. He wrote in it during his entire life. Today, many people keep journals or write blogs about their lives. Why do people write about their lives? What value does this information have for future generations?
5. Who was your favorite character in the book? Why?
6. When Christina, Grant, Thomas, and McKenzie were alone at the house, Christina ordered the kids to search certain areas for clues. Why is it important for someone to take a leadership role when a task needs to be done? Do you like to be the leader of a group? If so, why? If not, why not?
7. Mimi takes a chance in starting a new business. What kind of qualities does it take for a person to run their own business?
8. Wilbur has the mind of a child but he is grown up. Have you ever met someone like Wilbur? Why do you think Mimi is so kind to him and lets him remain living on the grounds?

