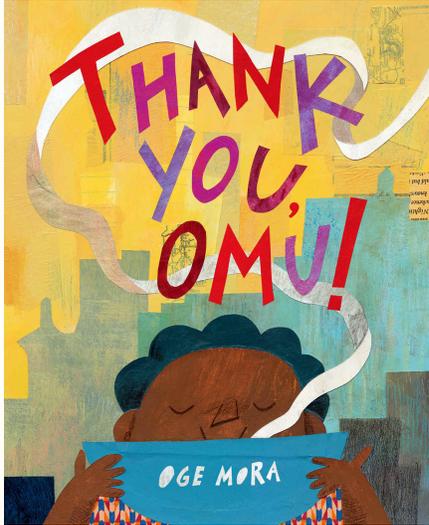


THANK YOU, OMU!

BY OGE MORA



Today students will learn about the central message of a story.

Students will learn how to identify key details that will lead them to the central message or lesson of a story.

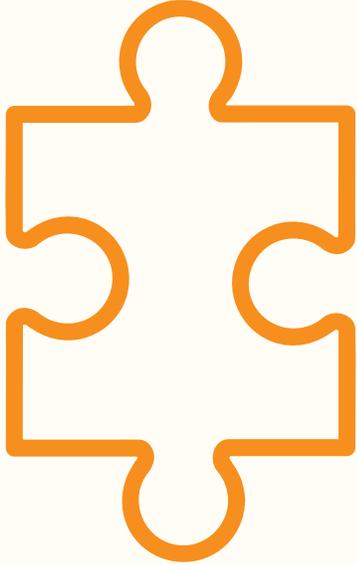
The activity will teach students how to use a central message anchor chart, expressing gratitude, and making fun recipes.



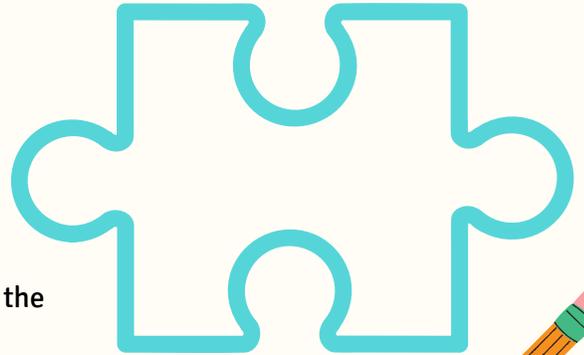
CENTRAL MESSAGE CHART

After reading Thank you, Omu!, what do you think the author's message is? Fill in the chart below, making sure to write and draw the key details and author's message based on those details. In other words, what did the author want us to learn?

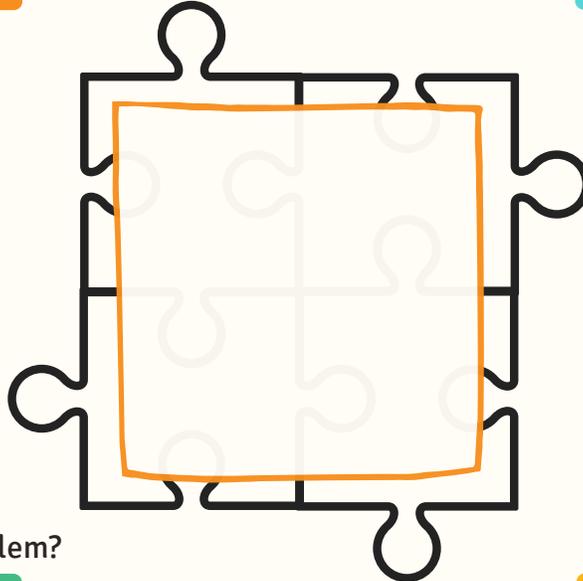
Key Idea : What is repeated?



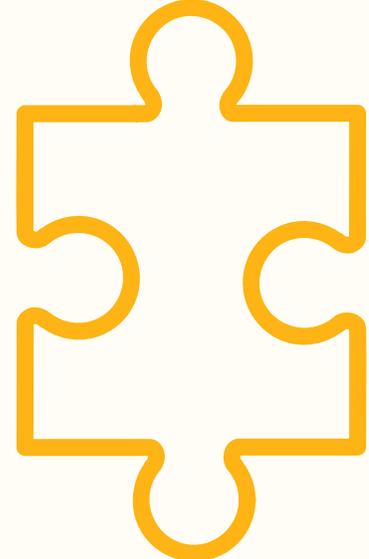
Key Idea : Solution to problem.



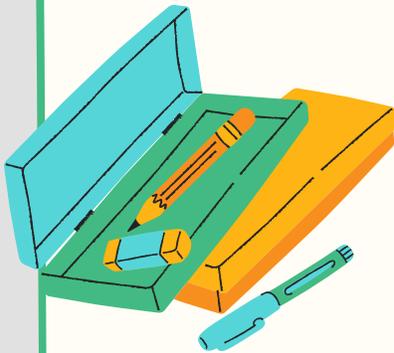
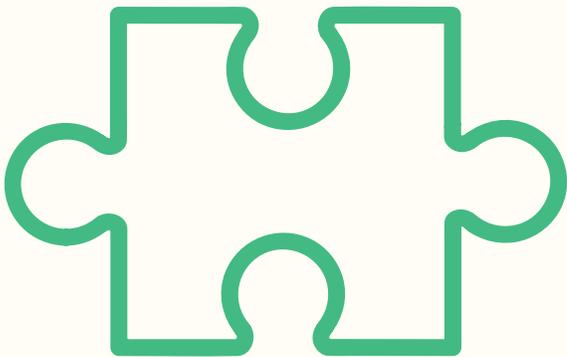
Central Message: What does the author want us to learn?



Key Idea : How do the characters change?



Key Idea : What is the problem?



SHARE YOUR GRATITUDE

Choose an item that means something to you, or something you are good at, that you can use to bring people in your community together. Describe what you chose. Describe how sharing what you chose will bring people together.



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FAMILY RECIPES

Putting things in order is an important foundational skill. Understanding the sequence of a story helps preschoolers make sense of what they are reading. Cooking recipes teaches students listening and following directions, problem solving, math, and fine motor skills. Plus, its fun and will keep readers engaged, while also bridging personal connections to the characters in the story.

Tips:

- Point to each word as you read the recipe with your student
- Occasionally stop at a word your student will know and/or can use a picture clue for and let them read it.
- let your student sound out short words, but read the sight words (words that cannot be sounded out) for them until they can automatically recognize them.
- Allow your student to lead these recipes by doing as much reading, measuring, stirring, mixing, and pouring as possible.

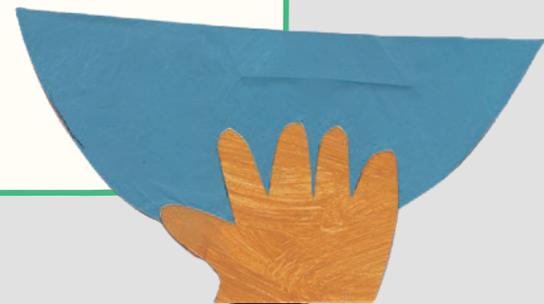
BANANA FLUFF

INGREDIENTS

- 1 Box of vanilla wafers
- 7 Bananas
- 2 Cups of milk
- 2 boxes of vanilla pudding mix
- 1 Tub of Cool Whip

METHOD

- Put vanilla wafers into the bottom of a baking dish.
- Slice 7 bananas and put them on top of the vanilla wafers.
- In a bowl put 2 cups of milk and 2 boxes of vanilla pudding and mix.
- Add the pudding mix on top of the wafers in the baking dish.
- Top the pudding with more vanilla wafers.
- ENJOY!



CHOCOLATE CHIP BANANA MUFFINS

INGREDIENTS

- 3 Bananas
- 1 Box vanilla cake mix
- 2 Eggs
- 1 Cup of chocolate chips

METHOD

- In a bowl mash 3 bananas with a fork.
- Add a box of yellow cake mix to your bowl.
- Add 2 eggs to your bowl.
- Mix the ingredients in your bowl together.
- Add 1 cup of chocolate chips to your bowl and stir.
- Spoon batter into a greased or lined muffin tin.
- Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes
- ENJOY!

BLUEBERRY POPS

INGREDIENTS

- 1 pint of blueberries
- 1 container of your favorite yogurt
- Wax paper
- Toothpicks

METHOD

- Stick 1 toothpick into each blueberry.
- Dip each blueberry in yogurt.
- Place the blueberries on wax paper.
- Freeze.
- ENJOY!

WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED THESE ACTIVITIES!



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