



James and the Giant Peach: **Comparing and contrasting the book and the play**

National Standards > Language Art

#3. Applying a wide range of strategies to comprehend, interpret, evaluate and appreciate text.

Kentucky > Language Arts Standard

RD-E-1.0.7

- Demonstrate knowledge of the characteristics of fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and plays.

Ohio: Language Arts Literary Text

Benchmark

Grades 2-3

Literacy Text Standard

A. Compare and contrast plot across literary works.

Objective

After reading James and the Giant Peach the story and attending James and the Giant Peach, the play, students will compare and contrast the elements of both.

Vocabulary

- Giant

Materials and Resources

- James and the Giant Peach Questionnaire
- Peachy Vocabulary Booklets

Vocabulary Activity

Teacher will:

- Discuss the synonyms for the word "giant."
- Attach the synonyms to a giant peach display.

Students will:

- Make a Peachy Vocabulary Booklet, adding vocabulary as each chapter is read.

Activity

Task 1

Teacher will:

- Direct a discussion of the questionnaire.

Students will:

- Take the James and the Giant Peach Questionnaire.

Vocabulary Activity

Task 2

Task 3

The students will read each chapter of James and the Giant Peach, stopping before the end of each chapter, and write their own ending. These endings could be completed as shared writing or in small groups.

POST SHOW ACTIVITY**Task 4**

The students will compare and contrast the book and the play in a Venn diagram. Students will explore events and characters.

Task 5

The students will brainstorm ways to use peaches in cooking. (i.e.) Peach ice cream, peach butter, peach cobbler).

Assessment

Use the Venn diagram for assessment.



Name _____

Directions: Circle True or False

I like to eat peaches. **True or False**

I enjoy stories that are completely fantasy.
True or False

Having insects as friends can be fun. **True or False**

I enjoy going on amazing adventures. **True or False**

I know the difference between fantasy and real life.
True or False

I like to use my imagination to create magic spells.
True or False

I have been punished without doing anything wrong.
True or False

I have qualities and characteristics of a good friend.
True or False

I have been in a crowded place, alone and afraid.
True or False

I have lived with relatives other than my parents.
True or False