

Jim Kleefeld's Reading is Magic

Educational School Program
Teacher's Guide

Program Overview:

Jim presents eight magical routines that introduce literature characters into new settings. In the routines, students are asked to assist and the characters participate in magical events. Ropes change size, torn signs become whole again, apples move from place to place, and objects appear.

Reading Topics.

Jim will be discussing specific reading topics with each magic routine: Following a Plot (Topsy-Turvy Bottles), Reading for Information (Newspaper Restoration), Graphic Organizers (Mixed-Up Apple Chart), Following Written Directions (Cut and Restored Rope), Selective Reading (Creating a Flag) and Reading Genres (Mental Prediction of a Favorite Character).

Title, Author & Character Chart of program references.

Jim will be referring to these books and characters – some briefly, some in more depth. The routines were designed to familiarize students with certain literature and motivate them to seek out reading material. Students do not have to have read each book on the list to follow the magic routines.

Character	Book	Author
Three Bears	The Three Bears	Paul Galdone
Troll	The Three Billy Goats Gruff	Stephen Carpenter
Peddler	Caps For Sale	Esphyr Slobodkina
Alice	Alice In Wonderland	Lewis Carroll
Johnny Appleseed	Who Was John Chapman?	Patsy Becvar
Little Bo Peep	Nursery Tales	Jonathon Langley
Rapunzel	Rapunzel	Paul O. Zelinsky
Peter Pan	Peter Pan	James Barrie
Pinocchio	Adventures of Pinocchio	Carlo Collodi
Mr. Hyde	Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde	Robert Louis Stevenson
Smaug	The Hobbit	J. R. R. Tolkien
Betsy Ross	Designer of Our Flag	Ann Weil

Vocabulary: Jim will be referring to these reading-related words. It may help students to be familiar with the words and their meanings.

title	author	illustrator	fiction	non-fiction	biography
real	imaginary	reference	plot	character	setting
genre	vocabulary	historical	library	literature	dialogue
chart	directions	selection	graphic organizers		