



"THE LIFETIME SECRETS OF A SOUTHERN MAGNOLIA TREE"

ANOTHER SHORT STORY

WRITTEN BY MANUEL MOLINA OSORIO

PRE-READING ACTIVITIES

A.1 WHAT DO YOU THINK THE STORY IS ABOUT?

A.2 EXPLAIN IN YOUR WORDS THE TITLE "THE LIFETIME SECRETS OF A SOUTHERN MAGNOLIA TREE"

A.3 WRITE DOWN 5 ADJECTIVES TO BEST DESCRIBE THE FRONT PAGE OF THE BOOK

A.4 WHO IS OR ARE THE MAIN CHARACTER (S) IN THIS STORY?

A.5 WHAT KIND OF STORIES DO YOU MOST LIKE TO READ? WHY?



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WHILE-READING ACTIVITIES

B.1 WHY DOES THE STORY START WITH AN IMAGINARY LOCATION?

B.2 WHAT CHARACTERISTICS DOES A MAGNOLIA TREE HAVE?

B.3 WHAT TREES ARE MENTIONED IN THE STORY?

B.4 WHY DO BIRDS MIGRATE?

B.5 WHY IS THE LONG-TAILED MEADOWLARK IMPORTANT IN THE STORY?

B.6 WHAT DO PEOPLE EXPECT TO HAPPEN IN THE CITY'S MAIN SQUARE?



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HANDOUT 3 SHORT STORY "THE LIFETIME SECRETS OF A SOUTHERN MAGNOLIA TREE" POST-READING ACTIVITIES

C.1 WHAT IS YOUR SENSATION AFTER READING THIS STORY?

C.2 MAKE A LIST OF 10 WORDS THAT ARE NEW FOR YOU WITH THEIR DEFINITIONS AND ONE EXAMPLE

C.3 ARE FRIENDS IMPORTANT IN YOUR LIFE? WHY?

C.4 DO YOU SHARE YOUR SECRETS WITH FRIENDS? TELL YOUR EXPERIENCE

C.5 WHY ARE COMMUNITIES RELEVANT IN THE STORY?



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ENGLISH IN ENGLISH

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D.1 MATCH THE PICTURE WITH THE CORRECT WORD:



1. MAGNOLIA TREE
2. MAIN SQUARE
3. LONG-TAILED MEADOWLARK
4. AURORA BOREALIS

D.2 CREATE A SENTENCE WITH THE FOLLOWING SET OF WORDS:

- A) SECRETS / FRIENDSHIP / RELIEVE
- B) SPRING / BLOSSOM / CHILE
- C) NEST / OFFSPRING / MIGRATE

D.3 WHAT IS THE WORD?

- A) _____ A TALL PERENNIAL WOODY PLANT HAVING A MAIN TRUNK AND BRANCHES
- B) _____ GET HEALTHY AGAIN
- C) _____ MATERIAL IN THE TOP LAYER OF THE SURFACE OF THE EARTH IN WHICH PLANTS CAN GROW



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IMPORTANT LINKS FOR PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. THE STARRING BIRD OF THE STORY:

<https://ebird.org/species/lotmea1>

2. AURORA BOREALIS:

<https://www.space.com/15139-northern-lights-auroras-earth-facts-sdcmp.html>

3. MAGNOLIA TREE:

<https://www.britannica.com/plant/magnolia-plant>

4. COMMON TREES:

<https://cordillerana.cl/en/blogs/hechoamano/arboles-nativos-de-chile>

5. TREES IN CHILE: <https://www.gochile.cl/en/flora-fauna/flora.htm>

6. AUTHOR'S CONTACT PAGE: <https://www.rmm.cl/portales/4402>

7. DICTIONARY: <https://www.wordreference.com/es/>

8. COLLOCATIONS DICTIONARY: <https://www.freecollocation.com/>

9. SYNONYMS: <https://www.thesaurus.com/browse/happy>

10. BIRD MIGRATION:

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/bird-migration>