

Welcome to the Book Club!

Hosted by Caitlin Jacobs



This project was funded with
a First *Literacy Lab* grant

Goals of the Club

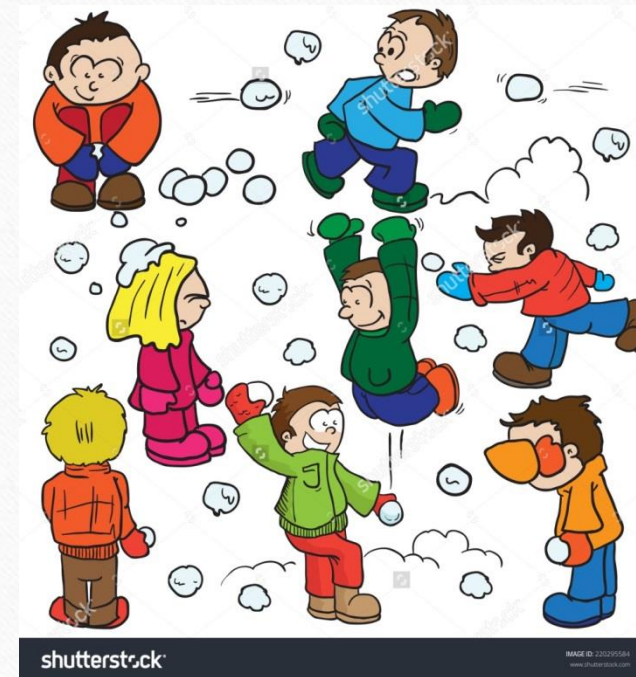
- Read a whole book in English
- Enjoy reading
- Get into the habit of reading
- Talk about a book in English

Goals for Today

- Get to know each other
- Introduce “The Wizard of Oz”
- Read “The Wizard of Oz” silently for 20 minutes
- Discuss first impressions of the book
- Use a reading log

Snowball Fight!

- Write your name and 3 **interesting** things about yourself on a piece of paper.
- Crumple the paper into a ball.
- 2 teams: stand up and throw your snowballs at each other.
- Stop when the teacher says “STOP”
- Read the paper you picked up out loud.
- Everyone can ask follow up questions



Sorry!

-
- There was a problem when we ordered the books. I don't have the books today. I'll give you photocopies instead. I hope to have the books in 1-2 weeks.



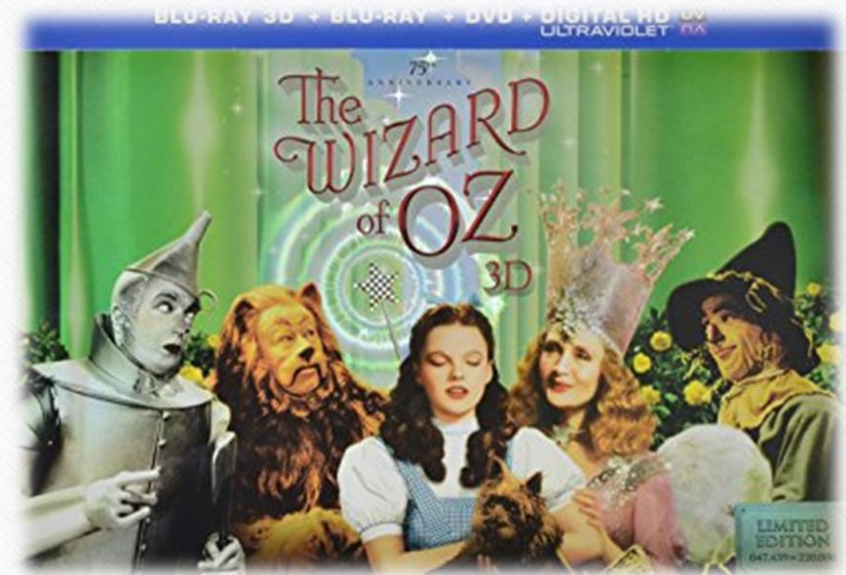
The Wizard of Oz

- This is a very famous story and movie.
- It's **fantasy** and **fiction**.
- Do you know it?



History

- L. Frank Baum wrote “The Wonderful Wizard of Oz” in the year 1900
- It became a successful musical in 1902
- Several movies and musicals have been made
- The most famous movie is from 1939
 - It was one of the first movies to use **color**
 - It has very famous songs
 - People loved the actors



Vocabulary

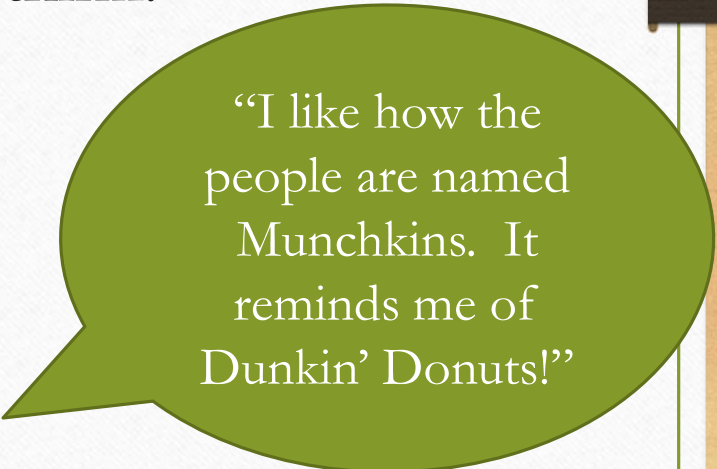


Make Predictions

- Prediction: a guess about the future
- Try the “Before Reading” activities on page 44

Your First Impressions

- Your **first impressions** are your first thoughts and feelings about something.
- After reading the book for 20 minutes, what do you think?
 - How is the difficulty level? Easy, just right, or difficult?
 - Are you interested in the story? Why or why not?
 - What do you think might happen next?
 - Did anything confuse you? Ask your group for help.
 - Share something from the story you liked. For example:



“I like how the people are named Munchkins. It reminds me of Dunkin’ Donuts!”

Your Reading Log

- A reading log will help you read more often.
- Try to read every day.
- Write the time you read and how many pages you read.
- We'll share our logs at our next meeting.

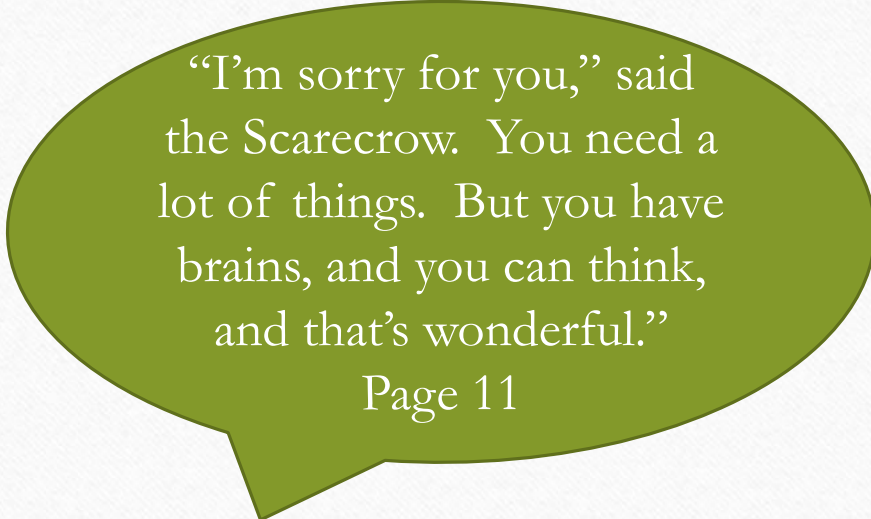


Book Club Meeting #2

- Put pieces of the story in order
- Explain important details from the story
- Choose and share passages from the story
- Share opinions about the story
- Compare reading logs
- Improve reading skills with the 100 most common words in English

Pick A Passage

- Choose a passage from the book.
 - An interesting one
 - A funny one
 - A confusing one
 - ...etc
- Share the passage and page number with your group. Explain why you chose it.



“I’m sorry for you,” said the Scarecrow. You need a lot of things. But you have brains, and you can think, and that’s wonderful.”

Page 11

Discussion



-
1. Do you agree that the Scarecrow, Tin Man, and Lion don't have a brain, heart, or courage? Why or why not?
 2. "East, West—Home's Best." Do you feel the same way?
 3. You can ask the Wizard of Oz for something. What will you ask for?

Final Meeting

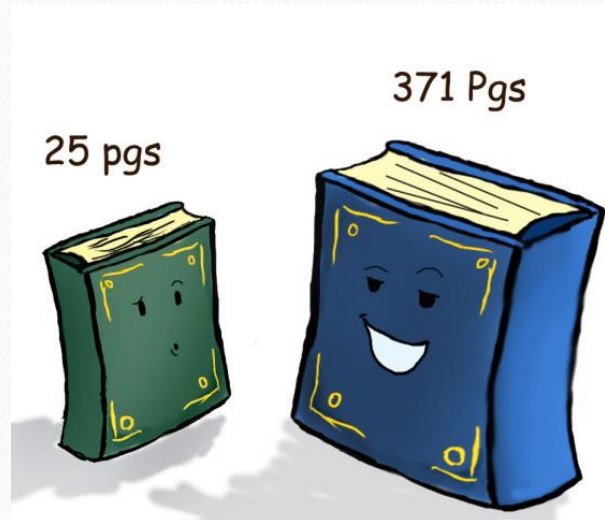
- Finish watching “The Wizard of Oz”
- Discuss your opinions and feelings about the book and movie
- Give feedback about the book club

Discussion

- What did you like better: the book or the movie?
- Who was your favorite character?
- What was one of your favorite parts?

Short Stories

- A **novel** is a book with one long story.
- **Short stories** are usually only a few pages. One book can have many short stories.



Which Do You Like?

I like short stories because...

- I can read a whole story in a short time.
- I can read many different stories about the same **topic**.
- They usually become interesting faster than a novel.

I like novels because...

- I can know the **characters** better.
- I can enjoy more details about the story.
- I can enjoy and think about a longer story over a longer time.

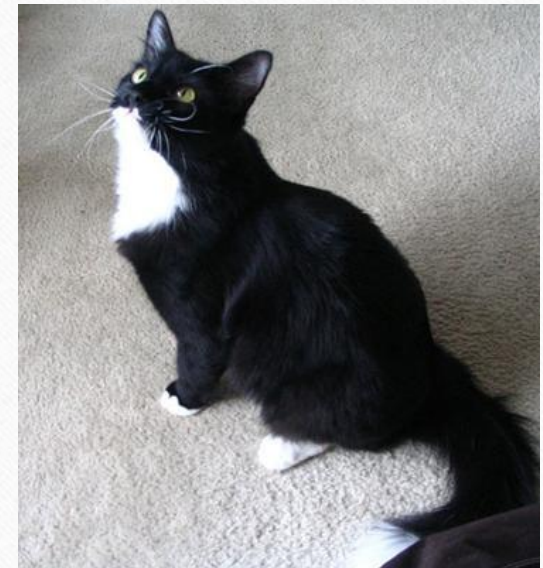
Favorite / Famous Short Stories

- What short stories are famous in your culture?
- Do you have a favorite short story?
- Let's share!

- Edgar Allan Poe is a famous American author.
- One of his stories is “**The Black Cat**”
- It’s about a man who loves animals. His wife loves animals, too. They have a lot of pets.
- The man starts to drink too much. He becomes a bad man. He starts hurting his wife and his pets.
- One day, he kills his black cat. He hangs the cat from a tree.
- Later that night, his house burns down.



- A few months later, the man finds a black cat at a bar. The cat follows him home.
- The cat looks the same as the other cat except he has **some white fur on his chest**.
- The white fur changes to look like a **noose**. The man is very afraid of the cat.
- The man gets angry one day and kills his wife. He hides her body in the wall of his house..
- The police come to his house. They don't think anything is wrong.
- Suddenly, they hear screaming from the wall.
- They open the wall and see the cat sitting on top of the wife's body.
- The man will now be **executed** for his **crime**.

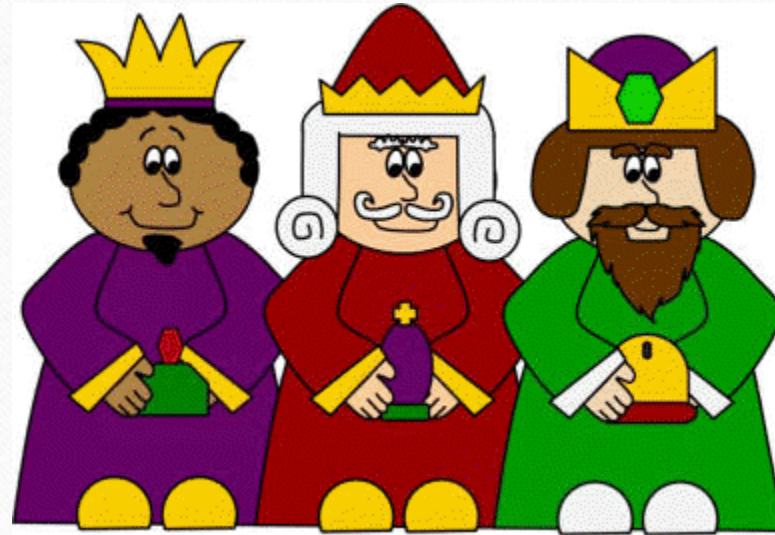


Your Turn

- Tell us about a famous short story, or your favorite short story.
- Chinese short stories:
 - Liang Shanbo and Zhu Yingtai (梁山伯与祝英台)
 - The White Snake (白蛇传)
 - Meng Jiangnu cried the Great Wall (孟姜女哭长城)
- Japanese short stories:
 - Momotaro
 - Kaguya-hime

The Gift of the Magi

- **Magi** are from the religious story of Christmas.
- 3 Magi came to visit baby Jesus the night he was born. They brought gifts.





Discussion Questions

1. Do Della and Jim seem like real people? For example, do you think you could meet people like them in real life?
2. Do you think the ending is happy?
3. Which is more important: money or love?
4. How do you celebrate Christmas?
5. Tell about one of the best gifts you've ever received.



-
- Ill (adj): sick
 - Carriage (n): the inside of a train
 - Guard (n): a person who protects a place; security