

7th Grade Reading

All of this work will be turned in for a grade when we return to school.



Day 6: Using all elements of plot, create a short narrative using the picture from the left.

Day 7: Identify the five elements of plot in your short story.

Day 8: Read the poem below and answer questions 1-8.

Alone by Maya Angelou

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| 1-Lying, thinking | 14-There are some millionaires | 26-Now if you listen closely |
| 2-Last night | 15-With money they can't use | 27-I'll tell you what I know |
| 3-How to find my soul a home | 16-Their wives run round like banshees | 28-Storm clouds are gathering |
| 4-Where water is not thirsty | 17-Their children sing the blues | 29-The wind is gonna blow |
| 5-And bread loaf is not stone | 18-They've got expensive doctors | 30-The race of man is suffering |
| 6-I came up with one thing | 19-To cure their hearts of stone. | 31-And I can hear the moan, |
| 7-And I don't believe I'm wrong | 20-But nobody | 32-'Cause nobody, |
| 8-That nobody, | 21-No, nobody | 33-But nobody |
| 9-But nobody | 22-Can make it out here alone. | 34-Can make it out here alone. |
| 10-Can make it out here alone. | 23-Alone, all alone | 35-Alone, all alone |
| 11-Alone, all alone | 24-Nobody, but nobody | 36-Nobody, but nobody |
| 12-Nobody, but nobody | 25-Can make it out here alone. | 37-Can make it out here alone. |

Questions:

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| 1) What kind of tone is the narrator using in lines 1-10? a) Sarcastic b) Speculative c) Apprehensive | 5) Name two kinds of figurative language in line 11 |
| 2) Name the figurative language in line 4 | 6) Name the figurative language in line 16 |
| 3) Name the figurative in line 5 | 7) What is the meaning of "banshees"? (Look this up and paraphrase into your own words. |
| 4) Name the figurative language in lines 8 &9 | 8) Paraphrase: "Their wives run round like banshees" |

Day 9: Answer questions 9-16 about the above poem.

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| 9) What is the symbolism in line 17? | 14) What kind of tone is the narrator using in lines 26-34? |
| 10) What does "hearts of stone" symbolize in line 19 | a) Melancholy b) Pensive c) Angry d) Intolerant |
| 11) What kind of tone is the narrator using in lines 14-22? | 15) What figurative language is used in line 31? |
| a) Paranoid b) Playful c) Snobby d) Angry | 16) What is the most SIGNIFICANT or PRIMARY device used overall in this poem? What is the impact? |
| 12) Name the figurative language in lines 28 and 29 | |
| 13) What does the "storm clouds and wind" symbolize in lines 28 & 29? | |

Day 10: Read 2 chapters of your AR book and summarize what happened.
