

Phantom Tollbooth Introduction

Book Facts

- Phantom Tollbooth was written by Norton Juster and illustrated by Jules Feiffer.
- The book was published in 1961.
- The genre is Fantasy Fiction.

What is a tollbooth?



- A tollbooth is a station that you drive through and pay to drive on the next part of the road.
- A “toll” is the amount you pay.

Language in the Book

- Norton Juster, the author, has an interesting way of using language.
- As we read listen for unusual ways the author puts words and phrases together to make the book such a great read aloud.
- If any phrases are confusing, we can reread them to make sense of the wording.

Literature Circle Group Assignments

GROUP ONE

Psychologists - You will keep track of how Milo is feeling in each chapter and why he is feeling this way.

- a. Block One - Gracie, Lilia, Mary Grace, Claudia, DJ, Ashton
- b. Block Two - Markus, Tanner, Terry, Jamiah, and Ashley

GROUP TWO

Philosophers - You will identify the lessons that the author is trying to get you to discover. Some are stated clearly, while others are implied. Try to catch as many as you can!!!

- a. Block One - Raya, Kaileigh, Tanner, Abraham, and Brently
- b. Block Two - Kameron, Karlyn, Hailee, and Jerry

GROUP THREE

Professors - You will keep track of new vocabulary and investigate the meaning for our class.

- a. Block One - Jenna, Yair, Jay Lee, D'aza, Mekhi
- b. Block Two - Damorion, Maddy, Tristan, Tyley, Anna

GROUP FOUR

Detail Trackers - You will keep a list of new characters and events in the book, along with details about each.

- a. Block One - Jacob, Patrick, Lysha, Catherine, Pedro, Jay W
- b. Block Two - Jazmyn, Brody, Camden, Katie, Devyn

GROUP FIVE

Cartographers - You will be the setting experts and track Milos journey on a map of The Lands Beyond.

- a. Block One - Maia, Diana, Grant, Daniela, Kamelia
- b. Block Two - Erin, Miguel, Zack, Candi

Group Rules

Create a list of group rules and expectations.

All group member must agree on each rule.