

LITERATURE STUDY

A new word I discovered...and its meaning.



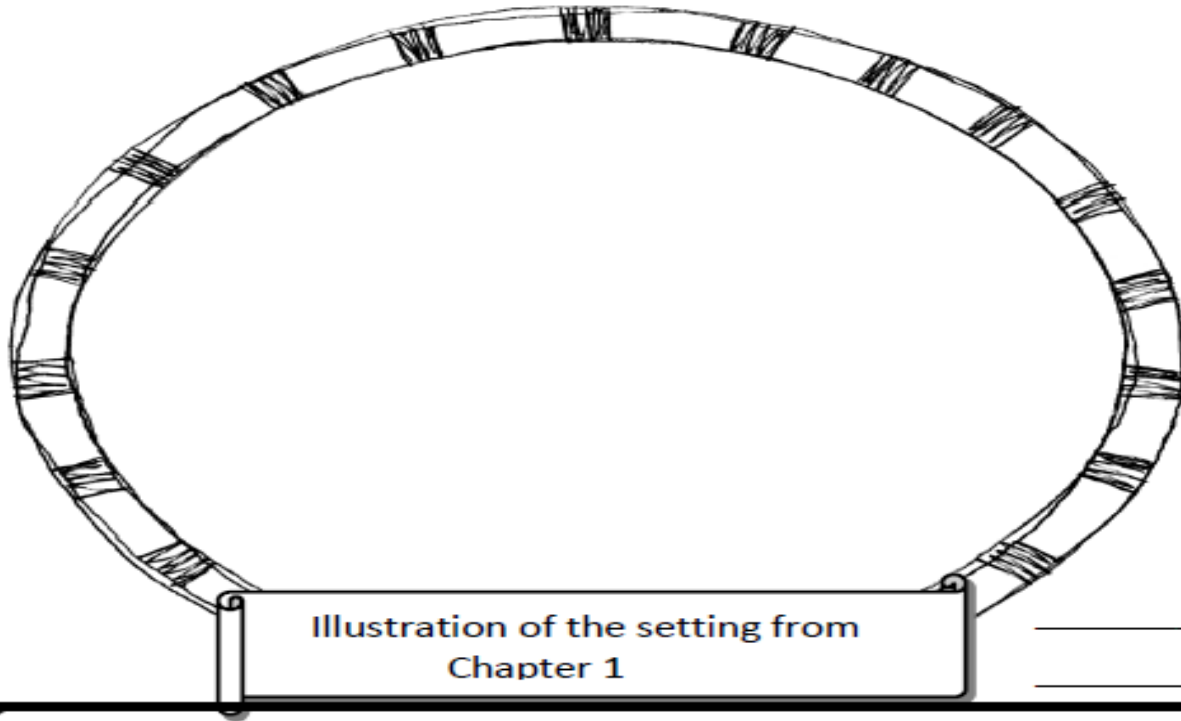


Illustration of the setting from
Chapter 1

Read Chapters 1-3 & complete this BEFORE the next ELA class.
You must bring to class for discussion! Keep in your ELA binder!

Let's practice stating our opinion!

Writing opinion statements answering the questions below.

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- Which makes the best pet, cats or dogs?
- Which is the best sport, soccer or basketball?
- Which is the hardest subject, Math or Reading?
- Which is the most fun to do, Minecraft or going to the beach?

A question I have...



Chapters 1-3: "The Sickness of Timothy Frisby," "Mr. Ages," and "The Crow & the Cat"

1. Which of the following best describes the point of view of Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH so far?

- A. The author is one of the characters and explains how he feels about Timothy's sickness.
- B. Mrs. Frisby is telling a story about her family.
- C. The narrator is telling a story about Mrs. Frisby and her family.
- D. All characters are telling the story at the same time.

3. Read the following sentence from chapter 1:

"With her forepaws and sharp teeth she pulled off a part of the husk from the top ear of corn and folded it double to serve as a crude carrying bag."

Read the following dictionary entry for the word crude:

crude, adjective: 1. rude or inappropriate 2. in a simple form 3. poorly planned **noun** 4. petroleum

Which definition best matches the word crude as it is used in the sentence?

- A. definition 1
- B. definition 2
- C. definition 3
- D. definition 4

4. Read the following sentence from chapter 2:

"But in winter it had a bleak and almost ghostly look, for the blossoms and the green leaves were gone, and only the dry skeletons of the weeds stood, hung with stalks and seeds and pods that rattled in the wind."

This sentence creates what kind of mood?

- A. cheerful
- B. adventurous
- C. colorful
- D. eerie

7. Which of the following sentences from the passage shows that "Dragon" is an appropriate name for the cat?

- A. "Farmer Fitzgibbon's wife had given him the name as a joke when he was a small kitten pretending to be fierce."
- B. "He was enormous, with a huge, broad head and a large mouth full of curving fangs, needle sharp."
- C. "In color he was orange and white..."
- D. "The cat would be there somewhere, but by daylight—and by staying in the open, away from the shrubs—she could probably spot him before he saw her."