

3rd Grade Summer Reading

Students may choose between the following books:

*Magic Tree House Dolphins at Daybreak by Mary Pope Osborne

*How to Be Cool in the Third Grade by Betsy Duffey

*I Survived Hurricane Katrina, 2005 by Lauren Tarshis

After reading their book of choice, students will complete the following activities:

1. **One Character Trading Card**

Students will select a character from their book and create a trading card based on that character. The front of the card should include the character's name and a picture of the character. The back of the card should be a written description of the character including his/her role in the book.

2. **One Postcard**

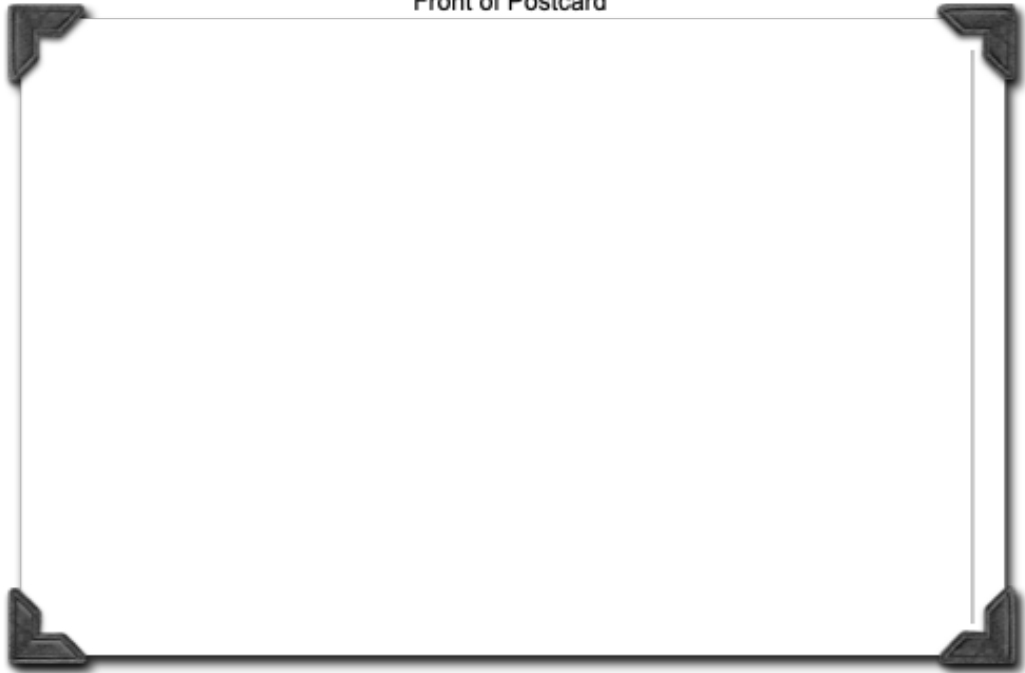
Students will draw a picture on the front of the postcard to represent the setting of the story. If the story includes more than one setting, the student can choose the setting they wish to depict. The back of the postcard should include a description of the setting.

Summer reading activities will be due on the second day of school. Using the completed activities as a guide, students will participate in a book talk about their selected book during the first week of school. These activities will lead us into our first unit of study which includes story elements as our focus skill.

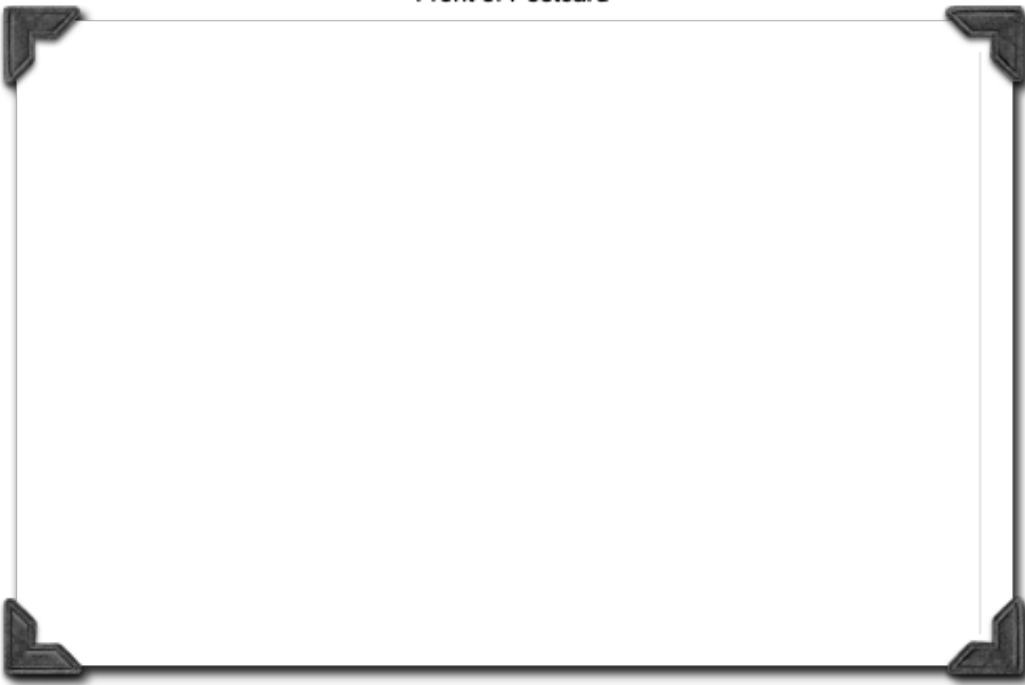
Character Trading Cards Template - Front

Character Trading Cards Template - Back

Front of Postcard



Front of Postcard



Back of Postcard

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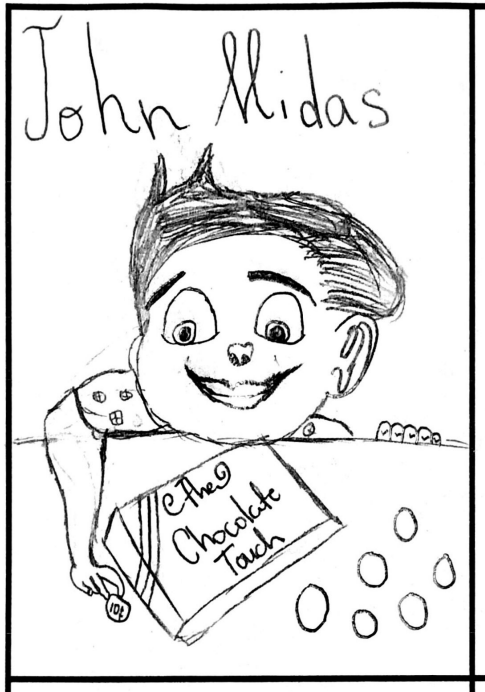
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Example of Character Trading Card

Front of Card



Back of card

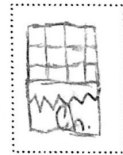
John Midas is a little boy, who loves to eat chocolate. He is obsessed with chocolate. One day he goes to a candy shop. He usually goes there after school. He was looking for chocolate then he found a box, it was full of chocolate! Then he bought the chocolate. He went to his room and ate one of the little chocolates. That is when the magic begins.

Example of Postcard



Back of Postcard

The candy shop is where John Mider found the box of chocolates. When he got to the Candy shop there were a B-U-N-C-H of signs. There was only 1 chocolate in the box of chocolate.



The Chocolate Touch

by: _____

Patrick Skene Catling