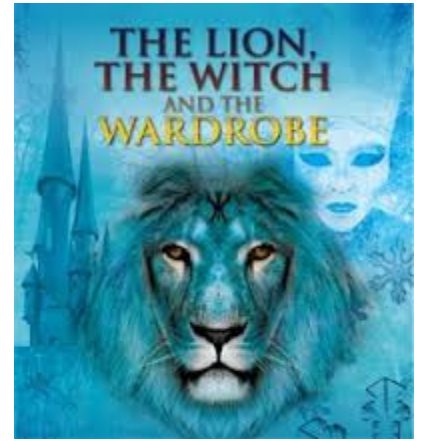


The Lion, the Witch, & the Wardrobe

Novel Activities



Book Summary:

Four children are sent to the countryside of England during the war to avoid the air raids. They go to live with an old professor who has no wife, only a housekeeper. While there, the children find an old wardrobe that if walked through, leads them to a magical place.

About the Author:

C.S. Lewis was born in 1898 in Ireland and died in 1963 in England. Although he was married, he never had children. As an author, he wrote novels as well as children's books.

Directions: Use a notebook, binder, or similar to answer and explain all of the novel questions & activities.

Vocabulary Words: You need to know all of these words, but pick ten of them (the ones you are the least familiar with) and use a thinking map to map them out/explain them.

betray	reign	conceal	delight
contentment	spiteful	festoons	gloat
dreadful	sulking	beckoned	siege
harboring	trifle	prophecy	pavilion
hoax	enchanted	vermin	perish
inquisitive	imaginary	stammer	shrill
logic	muffler	solemn	dungeon
passage	splendid	cinema	traitor
premises	superior	conversation	vile

Questions and Activities: Answer all of the following questions in "Good Paragraphs"

1. Which of the characters would you like to be?
2. How do King Peter, King Edmund, Queen Susan, and Queen Lucy rule Narnia?
3. Explain the last sentence in the book: "But if the Professor was right it was only the beginning of the adventures of Narnia."
4. Explain the difference between fantasy and reality. Think of several things that happened in the book. Which of them could happen realistically and which ones are fantasy?
5. Draw a picture of each of the characters in the book. Underneath the picture, include a short description of his/her/it's personality and the character's name.



Enrichment Activities: Choose 2 of the following activities and build your own project around them.

Marketing Mania

Create a kid's meal package for a fast-food restaurant to promote *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. Decorate it with scenes from the book. Design a toy that would be included with the meal as a free gift.

TV Time

Create a TV advertisement to promote the kid's fast food meal described above. Write a script and videotape the commercial.

Fantasy Photos

Make a picture scrapbook of fantasy characters from books, nursery rhymes, songs, poems, and television (Old Mother Hubbard, *The Wizard of Oz* characters, Peter Piper, Snow White, etc.).

Movie vs. Book

There have been several movie versions of this book. Watch one and discuss the similarities and differences between the book and movie.

Flying High

Make a banner or flag for Narnia. Try to highlight characters, places, and events from the story.

Your Own Fantasy World

Imagine you slipped through a secret passage into another world. Make up a fantasy about meeting someone there. Write about what happens and how you get back.

Character Traits

What are some individual character traits of each of the four children: Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy? How do they change over the course of the story? Compare yourself to the characters in the book. What are the similarities and differences?

Imagery

This book is full of marvelously, descriptive passages written in vivid language. Illustrate your favorite passage.

