



FIFTH GRADE WEEKLY PLANS APRIL 3-7, 2017 TEACHER: DR. FREEBERG

Virtue: Self-Control and Self-Discipline

Psalm: 19:14

Dear Parents,

This week students will share their original legends, and we will begin a unit on slavery in preparation for our study of the Civil War. In addition to lessons from the history textbook, students will read *Escape from Slavery*, an abridged version of *The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglas*. The reading assignments are short, but I expect students to read very thoughtfully and carefully and to *read each chapter at least twice*. Frederick Douglas employed a rich vocabulary, and we will study this vocabulary as we proceed through the text. This week in class students will also read from a collection of Uncle Remus tales. These lively stories are drawn from a Southern African-American oral tradition. Students will have opportunities to act out these stories in class skits, and after the spring break students will write their own Uncle Remus tale using the characters, setting, and style of the collected stories. Finally, this week we will finish blocking and begin to polish our play.

Sincerely,

Bruce Freeberg

Dates to Remember

Monday: Original Legend Due

Thursday: Reading Quiz on Chapter 3 of *Escape from Slavery*

Friday: Reading Quiz on Chapter 4 of *Escape from Slavery*; Vocabulary Quiz on Words from chs. 1-3

Homework

Monday:

Read and re-read *Escape from Slavery*, ch. 1; Read lesson 2 in history text/answer reading questions; (Lesson 1 was completed at school); Review for vocabulary quiz

Tuesday:

Read and re-read *Escape from Slavery*, ch. 2; Read lesson 3 in history text/answer reading questions; Review for vocabulary quiz

Wednesday:

Read and re-read *Escape from Slavery*, ch. 3; Read lesson 4 in history text/answer reading questions; Review for vocabulary quiz

Thursday:

Read and re-read *Escape from Slavery*, ch. 4; Read lesson 5 in history text/answer reading questions; Final review for vocabulary quiz

Friday:

Read and re-read *Escape from Slavery*, ch. 5; Read lesson 6 in history text/answer reading questions; Finish Uncle Remus tales up through pg. 80.

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