

# Teaching Unit for "Amigo Brothers"



Sample Packet



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## *Short Story Sample Teaching Packet*

### *“Amigo Brothers”*

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Title of Activity	Page	Common Core Standards
Prereading activities: Fun Ideas to use with this story prereading boxing terminology page vocabulary preview		The boxing terminology handout will introduce students to the vocabulary pertaining to boxing that is included in the story. The vocabulary preview provides words in context so that students can determine meanings. CCSSRL4
After Reading Questions Game Idea		These directions are for an optional fun game that you can play as a whole class once the post reading questions are completed by the students.
Handout to practice answering constructive response questions		This handout explains step by step how students should return to text to support an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn. It includes a non-example to help the students, and provides an opportunity for you to teach students the correct way to fully answer an open-ended question. CCSS7RL-1
Post Reading Questions		These handouts include fifteen questions. Students are required to return to the text to draw conclusions and analyze various elements of the story, including suspense, conflict, setting, and characters. Many CCSS are addressed within these questions. Students must cite evidence to support their answers for several of the questions.
Handout to examine imagery		This handout helps students analyze how the author creates imagery. With this activity, students will find a passage; then, using the information provided on the handout, they will explain how imagery has been created by the author. CCSS7RL1
Writing Opportunity – News Report		This handout gives directions so that students can create a news report covering the boxing match in the story. A rubric is provided as well.
Answer Keys		Answer keys are provided for each activity.

**The highlighted activity is yours FREE! Scroll down to print.**

## ***Amigo Brothers***

### **Do you know these words?**

Before we read the story, see if you know some of the vocabulary words that we will encounter. Match the words in the box to the correct definitions below. Use the sentences to help you.

**tenement** My best friend lives in the same **tenement** as I do.

**demolish** The builders **demolished** the old school building.

**perpetual** Every time we sat outside on the porch this summer, we were under **perpetual** attack by mosquitoes.

**bout** Last night there were three boxing **bouts** at the gym.

**improvise** I didn't have any prior plans on what to say, but I **improvised** and told a few jokes.

**bilingual** The company wanted to hire someone who was **bilingual** so that non-English speaking customers could be helped along with those who speak English.

**dispel** I told the girls that what they were saying was not true and to try and **dispel** the rumor.

**fainted** She **fainted** left but dashed to the right to escape.

1. A mock or fake attack or movement \_\_\_\_\_
2. A boxing or wrestling match \_\_\_\_\_
3. Using or able to use two languages \_\_\_\_\_
4. To compose or make up and perform on the spot without prior practice \_\_\_\_\_
5. Seeming to continue forever, eternal \_\_\_\_\_
6. A tall building in a city where people live; an apartment \_\_\_\_\_
7. To tear down \_\_\_\_\_
8. To rid one's mind of; to drive away \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for taking the time to view our sample packet. Download our [complete teaching unit for “Amigo Brothers”](#) now and you will have everything listed in the table of contents. All handouts are ready for you to print! Use these handouts and ideas immediately and for years to come!**

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