

Lesson Three – Worksheet

This lesson coincides with Chapter 3 of the book, 'Finding Mother'. The purpose of this lesson is to understand the difficulties faced by the main character in achieving her goal.

Chapter Three – “The Search”

Main Idea and Supporting Details

Place an “X” on the line beside the main idea of the text.

- _____ Grace uses many online and offline resources to locate her mother.
- _____ Grace is hoping that her mother will respond to her letters.
- _____ Grace keeps trying hard to find her mother though her efforts are in vain.

The four statements below “support” the main idea. Fill in the blanks with the correct word.

- (a) Grace wanted to find her mother even though she was afraid of being _____.
- (b) Grace requested for the marriage license and application for her parents
from the _____.
- (c) Grace could not wait to search for her mother using her _____
and her _____.
- (d) Grace sent a letter to four women named _____, hoping that one of
them would be her mother.

Sequencing

Following the timeline of Grace’s search techniques in Chapter 3, rearrange the following events in the correct order.

- () She then used online white pages to search for addresses and phone numbers.
- () She later visited a couple of Genealogical Research Libraries.
- () Grace went to the local Social Security Administration office to ask them for help.
- () Then she contacted an online people locator service.
- () Finally, she sent out a letter to four women who shared her mother’s name.
- () She asked for her parents’ marriage license from the State Dept. of Public Health.

Plot Analysis: Conflict

The central conflict is the main problem in a story. The conflict makes a story interesting to read and shows the motivations of the characters, as well as the consequences of their actions.

Chapter 1 and 2 of 'Finding Mother' introduced us to Grace's family with some background information. What is the main conflict for Grace in Chapter 3?

Identifying Cause and Effect

"I was disappointed in her as I felt like she did not care what happened to the twin boys."

What is the cause? _____

What is the effect? _____

Interpreting and Evaluating Information

*Why did the excitement of finding her mother start to dwindle for Grace?
Circle the letter for the correct answer.*

- a) None of her search attempts was successful.
- b) The Calvin she spoke to was not the one she was looking for.
- c) None of the four women she wrote to was her mother.
- d) All of the above.

Character Trait Discussion

The character trait for Chapter 3 is “determined”.

Determined means having made a firm decision and being resolved not to change it.

Read the statement below. Then choose one of the questions below and answer it. Write your answer in the space provided then discuss it with your group.

In Chapter 3, we see how determined Grace is to find her mother through all her search attempts and techniques.

1. Describe a time when you felt determined to achieve something?
2. Do you know someone who has great determination in life? If so, who? What has this person done to show that they have determination?
3. Why do you think that it is good to be determined? Name at least one advantage or disadvantage to being determined?

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