

For Special Ed

FLAT STANLEY



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12 activities

12 questions

Preview



Suggestions for Use

- I made this unit to go along with the book, *Flat Stanley* by Jeff Brown.
- The thought is that you would be reading it aloud to your class at a rate of about 1 chapter per day.
- Be sure to give each student their own copy of the story board (pg. 6) to use while reading and discussing the story.
- Benefits of reading out loud, even to classes made up of severely affected students:
 - Teaches students to sit quietly even when there isn't something for them to do. This is such an important life skill. We all have to spend time sitting and listening to someone we are not that interested in at some point.
 - Parents will LOVE you. Not only will they be excited their child is being exposed to age appropriate material, but you are teaching them how to sit quietly, which will hopefully transfer to home as well.
 - Even with your lowest level learners, you will have 1 or 2 that will truly enjoy the story.
 - It can be a calming experience to sit and listen to the teacher read in a methodical way.

Suggestions for Use

- For students who need more structure, place the number of post-it notes in front of him/her that corresponds to the number of pages you intend to read. Remove a post-it as you finish each page. The visual will help lessen their anxiety.
- You will find 2 or more activities for each chapter. You will still have plenty to choose from and find those that fit best with your students.
- Differentiation:
 - For any activity, you can quickly differentiate for your lower level learners by using a color coding technique.
 - If sorting, outline each sorting category a certain color and then outline the corresponding pictures the same color.
 - Becomes a matching task.
- I purposefully did not include an assessment in this unit, because I did not feel that would be the goal of reading a higher level novel over such an extended period of time. Instead, you should be focused on shaping and teaching the behavior of sitting.

Worksheet pages	Title	Chapter
4-5	Suggestions for use	
6	Story board	
7	Title and Author	
8-10	Things that are flat	1
11-13	Things at a doctor office	1
14-15	Good vs bad manners	2
16-19	Best container it would fit in	2
20-21	Can and cannot roll up	3
22-23	Flying a kite writing prompt	3
24-25	Things that are and are not crimes	4
26-28	Things you would find in a museum	4
29-30	Waiting	4
31-32	I am special writing prompt	5
33-34	Opposites	5
35-36	If I were flat like Stanley	5
37	Other novel units	
38-39	Terms of Use	



12 Activities

6. What did Stanley "become" for his brother to use?



7. Where did Stanley get stuck when he was a kite?



8. What was being stolen from the museum?



9. What was Stanley's disguise?



10. How did the sneak thieves get into the museum?



12 Questions

Chapter references for each question

Question	Chapter
1	1
2	1
3	2
4	2
5	3
6	3
7	3
8	4
9	4
10	4
11	5
12	5

Answer Key

- bulletin board
- doctor
- ring
- in an envelope
- rolled up
- kite
- tree
- painting
- shepherdess
- trap door
- bike pump
- hot chocolate

 Stanley	 Arthur	 Mr. Lambchop	 Mrs. Lambchop	 bulletin board	 flat
 doctor	 mail	 police officer	 ring	 kite	 tree
 jealous	 roll up	 brave	 Mr. Dart	 painting	 wait
 museum	 steal	 famous	 tease		
 repeat that	 I like that	 I don't like that	 I don't know	 I need a break	

Storyboard
















The police do not understand what Mrs. Lambchop is doing. They make fun of her, thinking she is crazy. Sort the following behaviors into those you think are good or bad manners.



good manners

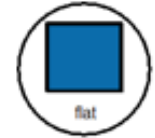


yucky

 say please	 yell	 use utensils	 burp
 talk with mouth full	 say excuse me	 take shoes off	 talk quietly
 chew with mouth closed	 get impatient	 thank you	 hold door open
 napkin on lap	 throw trash on floor	 eat with fingers	 stay in seat

Circle maps

What are some things that are normally flat?



Errorless option

 paper	 pancakes	 envelope	 letter	 napkin
 Frisbee	 kite	 leaf	 cheese slices	 index cards
 cards	 price tag	 ticket	 ribbon	 paper
 world	 kite	 leaf	 cheese slices	 index cards
 cards	 price tag	 soccer ball	 ribbon	 money
 Frisbee	 hot dogs	 ticket	 letter	 cupcake

Stanley fit perfectly into the envelope. Match the container with what would fit inside it.

So much more!!

Mr. Lambchop rolled up Stanley to carry him more easily. What are some things you could or could not easily roll up to carry.

	
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If I were flat like Stanley






I think it would be to bet flat like Stanley.

If I could go in the mail, I would go to .

If I was flat, I would hide .







It would be fun to pretend to be a .

If I had a choice, I would flat.

					
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