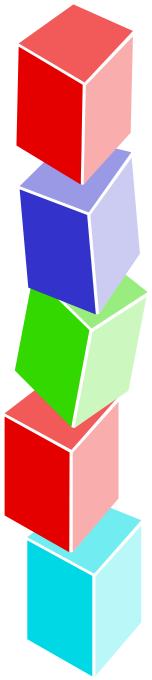
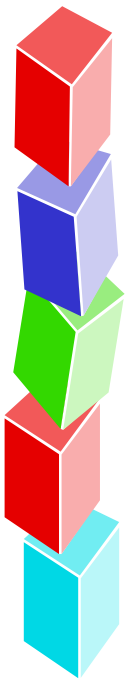


Vocabulary cube



- **Synonym** (What is another word for the chosen word? *You can use a thesaurus.*)
- **Antonym** (What is an opposite meaning word for the chosen word? *You can use a thesaurus.*)
- **Connect to YOU** (Make a connection using the word to you.)
- **Sentence** (Use the word in a sentence.)
- **Definition** (Restate what the word means; *use the glossary or a dictionary.*)
- **Importance to the story** (How is this word important to the story? Find what page the word is on.)

Character cube



- **Appearance** (What does the character look like? *Look for describing words in the story.*)
- **Emotions** (How is the character feeling in the story? *Look for evidence or support in the story.*)
- **Something that happens to this character**
(Find a part in the story where something happens to the character to share.)
- **How are you like this character?** (Make a connection)
- **How are you different from this character?**
(Make a connection)
- **Opinion WHY?** (How do you feel about this character and WHY)

Setting cube



- **When** (When does this story take place? Look for details and evidence to support; present, past, future, time of year, day.)
- **Where** (Where is the story taking place? Look for evidence or support in the story; be specific—not "outside" or "inside".)
- **Why is this setting important to the story?** (Find a part in the story that proves this setting is critical to the success of the story; to help you, think about a setting that would NOT work.)
- **How would you change this setting?** (Think about a different setting and how it would affect the story.)
- **Connect to YOU** (Make a connection to the setting)

Critical thinker cube



- **Text-to-text connection** (Does anything in this story make you think about something else you have read?)
- **Pick a page to read aloud** (Why does this part impress you as a reader?)
- **Something you liked** (Share something you liked about the story and explain why)
- **Something you didn't like** (Share something you didn't like and explain why)
- **Something interesting to discuss** (Pick an event in the story and discuss why it was interesting to you)
- **Something you noticed about how this author writes** (Find something specific in the story that shows the author's "voice")

Writer's connection cube



- **Rename a character** (Pick a character and give it a new name; rewrite a part of the story using the character's new name)
- **Add a character** (Invent a new character for the story and re-write a part including this character)
- **Think of a new beginning** (Write a new beginning for the story)
- **Change an event** (Pick something that happens in the story and "change" it)
- **Add an event** (Add something new to this story)
- **Change the ending** (Re-write the ending for the story)

Questioning cube



- **Who?** (Write a question on an index card that starts with "Who"; write the answer on the back)
- **What?** (Write a question on an index card that starts with "What"; write the answer on the back)
- **Where?** (Write a question on an index card that starts with "Where"; write the answer on the back)
- **When?** (Write a question on an index card that starts with "When"; write the answer on the back)
- **Why?** (Write a question on an index card that starts with "Why"; write the answer on the back)
- **How?** (Write a question on an index card that starts with "How"; write the answer on the back)