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Book Title George Washington's Socks by Elvira Woodruff

Overcoming Obstacles



The problem in a story usually does not have an easy resolution. The main character often faces obstacles that must be overcome before the problem can be resolved. These obstacles are like hurdles that a runner must jump over to finish a race. What obstacles does the main character face in your book? Fill in the information.

Obstacle 1:

The character overcomes this obstacle by _____

Main character: _____

Main problem: _____

Obstacle 2:

The character overcomes this obstacle by _____

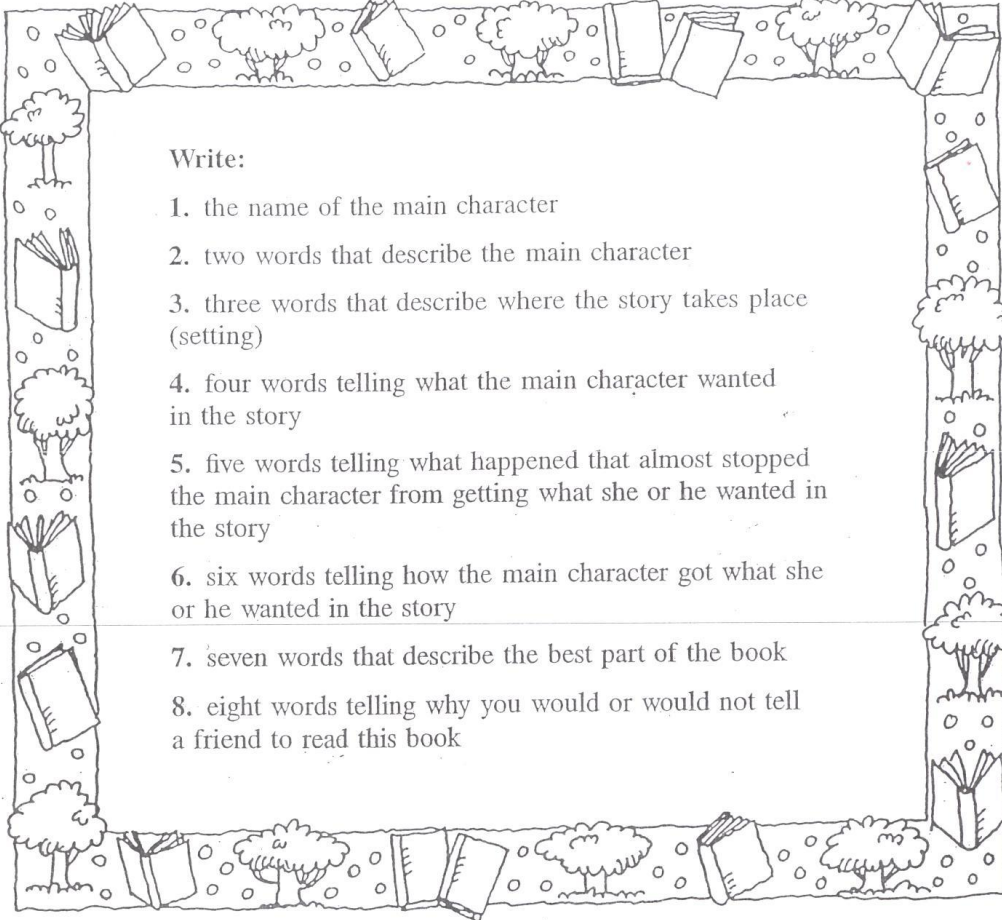
Obstacle 3:

The character overcomes this obstacle by _____

Frindle by Andrew Clements

Story Tree

A Story Tree can't be planted; it needs to be built. You can build a Story Tree by following the directions below. Write each item in the correct space on the tree frame.



Write:

1. the name of the main character
2. two words that describe the main character
3. three words that describe where the story takes place (setting)
4. four words telling what the main character wanted in the story
5. five words telling what happened that almost stopped the main character from getting what she or he wanted in the story
6. six words telling how the main character got what she or he wanted in the story
7. seven words that describe the best part of the book
8. eight words telling why you would or would not tell a friend to read this book

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Story Tree (cont.)

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