

MY BOOKS

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Take the Challenge!

See how many of these activities you can do. Fill in the star for each one you complete.



Write a brief review of your favorite book in the series.



Describe something funny that happened in a story in the series.



Read aloud a favorite scene in a story to a family member.



Identify three words that are new to you. Find out what they mean.



Explain the cause of a problem in a story and what happened as a result.



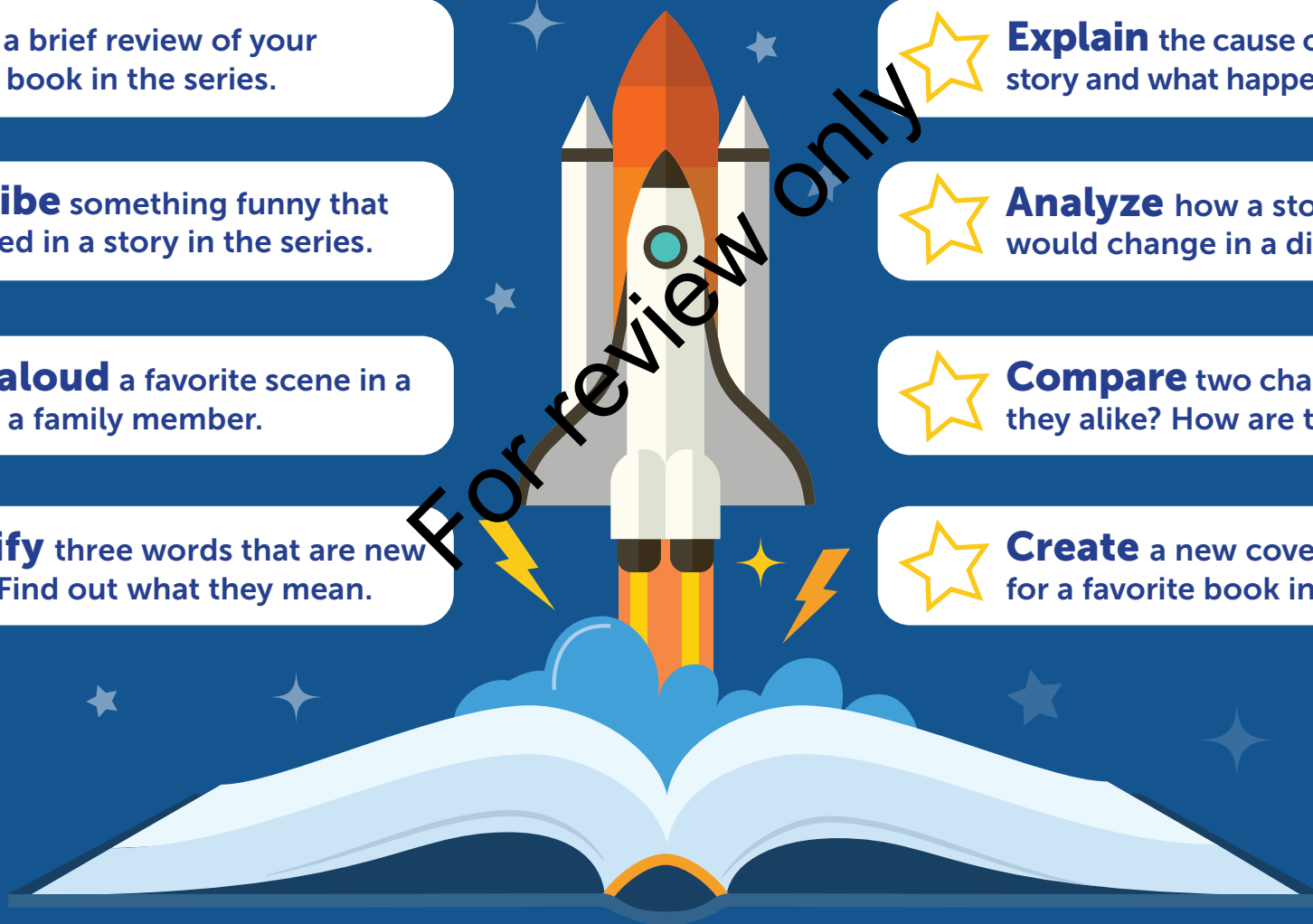
Analyze how a story in the series would change in a different setting.



Compare two characters. How are they alike? How are they different?



Create a new cover illustration for a favorite book in the series.



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Your child's school has provided these books for your child to keep.
Here are some tips for making his or her reading adventure a family affair.

Reading With Your Child

- Help your child find a quiet place to read, away from screens and distractions.
- **Before reading**, look at the cover of the book together and talk about what your child may already know about the book and the series. Provide any background information that might help your child understand the book, such as the genre, the setting, or the topic or theme.
- **Read aloud**, encourage your child to read to you, or take turns. As you read, pause to discuss unfamiliar words or phrases. At the end of a section or chapter, clarify understanding by inviting your child to summarize a scene or an event in the story.
- **After reading**, talk about the book. Ask your child what he or she found interesting or surprising in the story.
- **Celebrate!** Keep a list of the books you read together and display it with pride!

Activities for Thinking Beyond the Book

- **Family Word Wall** You'll need a large sheet or pad of paper and a pencil or pen. Put them in a high-traffic area of your home. Invite family members to write down newly learned words and their meanings.
- **Family Read-Aloud** Allow your child to choose a book. Decide who will read, or take turns. After reading, invite a discussion about the book. Then encourage your child to take the challenge on the flip side of this page.
- **Play Charades** Write titles and character names from books everyone has read on slips of paper, fold them, and put them in a bowl. The first player chooses a paper from the bowl, reads it, then silently acts out the title or character using only gestures, facial expressions, and body language while others try to guess what or who it is. The player who guesses correctly goes next.



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