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The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe: Chapters 1-2

Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy have been evacuated from war-time London to the safer country home of Professor Kirke. While the children explore the house, Lucy becomes intrigued with a beautiful old wardrobe. Step inside the wardrobe with her and see what awaits!

Vocabulary

You will find these words in today's reading.

Chapter 1

wireless: (n.) radio

During World War II, my grandfather listened to the news reports on the *wireless*.

inquisitive: (adj.) curious

The boy was *inquisitive* when he saw the big machine.

faun: (n.) a fantasy creature that has the body and face of a man, but the legs, hooves, tail, and horns of a goat

Even though I knew that story was a fantasy, the picture of the *faun* surprised me because it looked like a man from the waist up and a goat from the waist down.

Chapter 2

melancholy: (adj.) sad, depressed

I was feeling rather *melancholy*, but then my friends called to play.

reign: (v.) to rule over

Chaos *reigns* over this wild crowd.

jollification: (n.) festivity, merrymaking

The party guests were ready for some *jollification*.

wretched: (adj.) miserable, poor

My brother was in a *wretched* mood after his team lost.

Think Ahead

1. This story is a *fantasy*. A *fantasy* is a fictional story that has imaginary characters or is set in an imaginary place. What are some of the differences between a realistic story and a fantasy?
2. Read the title of the story. A *wardrobe* is a type of closet for clothes. What do you think the children will find in the wardrobe? Include details in your answer.

Read

Chapters 1-2

Discuss

Chapter 1

1. Why do Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy have to explore inside the house rather than outside?
2. Describe the professor's house.
3. How does Lucy feel when she first steps through the wardrobe?
4. Describe the faun that Lucy meets.

Chapter 2

5. Why does Mr. Tumnus take Lucy back to his cave for tea?
6. Why doesn't Mr. Tumnus turn Lucy over to the White Witch? What might happen to him?

Write

Choose one of the following questions and write a response of three or more complete sentences in your Reading Notebook.

1. Review the first few pages of Chapter 1. What kind of person do you think Edmund is? Use examples from the story to support your response.
2. What kind of a person is Lucy? Use examples from the story to support your response.
3. How does Lucy feel when she discovers the world of Narnia? What does she say or do that tells you how she feels?

Assessment

It's time to go to the computer and answer some questions to check your reading.