



Smarty Activity

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APP: *Treasure Kai and the Lost Gold of Shark Island*

Activity Title: *A Buggy Story*
Approximate Grade Level(s): 2-4
Subject(s): Language Arts, Science

Student-Friendly Objective:

- **I will write, illustrate, and publish a story about a bug.**

Common Core Standards:

Language Arts: Writing

W.3 - Write narratives in which they recount two or more appropriately sequenced events, include some details regarding what happened, use temporal words to signal event order, and provide some sense of closure.
W.6 - With guidance and support from adults, use a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including in collaboration with peers.

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Bloom's Taxonomy:

- **Remembering: list**
- **Understanding: Convert**
- **Applying: Put together, illustrate, produce**
- **Analyzing: Explain**
- **Evaluating: Discuss**
- **Creating: Compose**

Smarty Activity:

- **Have students read and interact with *Treasure Kai and the Lost Gold of Shark Island*.**
- **Select a free app program, such as *Scribble Press*, which gives students the opportunity to write, illustrate, and publish.**
- **Have students brainstorm a list of bugs and create an adventurous story about one bug.**
- **Write it in story format. This could be a teacher-led activity, using one story in which all of the class contributes. If writing skills are elevated, each student can write his/her own story.**
- **Familiarize the students with the chosen app program to write, illustrate, and publish.**
- **Add text, create illustrations, and publish/print the story/stories.**

Assessment:

- **Assessment or grading is an individual choice; however, keep your Common Core Standards in mind while creating your assessment.**
- **Create the assessment prior to giving the students the activity. Share it with the students before they begin the activity so that they will know "up front" how they will be assessed.**
- **Use your favorite search engine to locate assessment rubrics. One of my personal favorites is rubrics4teachers.com.**

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Required Materials and Equipment:

- app *Treasure Kai and the Lost Gold of Shark Island*
- iPad
- write, publish, illustrate app such as *Scribble Press* or one of your choice

Technology Note: The technological references stated in this activity are not exclusively required, but are indicative of your possible choices.

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