F@CUS READERS

Lesson Plan

Fact Hunt

Book: *Lions* Series: Animals Level: Scout

Objective

To help students practice using features of a text (such as a glossary and index) to locate specific facts.

Supplies

- 4 copies of the *Lions* book
- Fact Hunt worksheet (attached)

Before the Activity

Divide students into four groups. Print four copies of the Fact Hunt worksheet.

Activity

To start, explain that most books have several sections. One section is the main text. This part tells a story or explains information. But books have other sections, too. These sections often give readers more information about the book. They may also help readers know where to find things.

Some sections come before the main text. For example, open the *Lions* book to page 3 and show readers the table of contents. Explain that this feature shows the titles of chapters and the page number where each chapter starts.

Other sections come after the main text. For example, turn to page 16 of the *Lions* book. Show students the glossary at the top of this page, explaining that a glossary helps readers understand the words used in a book. Glossaries use pictures or sentences to tell what each word means. Next, point out the index below the glossary. Explain that an index helps readers find information. An index lists the page numbers where a word is mentioned in a book.

Give each group one copy of the *Lions* book and one Fact Hunt worksheet. Just like a lion hunts for its prey, students will hunt for the answers to the questions on the worksheet. They should use the book's glossary and index to find the answers.

Evaluation

Using the attached answer key, give each group 2 points for each correct answer, for a total of 8 points.

Standards

This lesson may be used to address the Common Core State Standards' reading standards for informational texts, grade 1 (RI 1.5).

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1. What is a mane?

2. What are cubs?

3. Where do lions rest?

4. Are a lion's teeth big or small?

Fact Hunt ANSWER KEY

1. What is a mane? A mane is hair on the head and neck (p. 6).

2. What are cubs? Cubs are baby lions (p. 8).

3. Where do lions rest? Lions rest under trees (p. 10).

4. Are a lion's teeth big or small? A lion's teeth are big (p. 6).