

Reader's Workshop

Key Concepts

These books may be read in several ways:

Individually

With a partner

Small group

Combination of the above

The lessons that follow reflect one approach to teaching these novels and do not need to be implemented in a prescriptive manner. However, the following key concepts should be taught:

1. Using evidence to support personal opinions
2. Using context clues and word parts to learn new vocabulary
3. Naming and defining story elements
4. Applying the pre-reading strategy of previewing
5. Making inferences
6. Summarizing reading
7. Identifying ways in which authors develop character
8. Describing Setting
9. Sequencing events in a plot
10. Comparing and Contrasting story elements
11. Reflecting on reading skills and setting reading goals