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Introduction

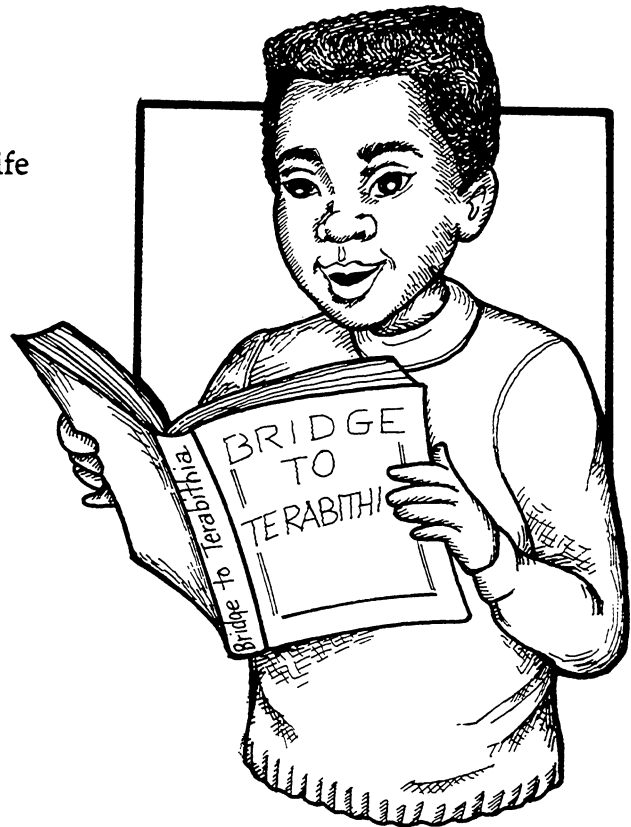
A good book can touch our lives like a good friend. Within its pages are words and characters that can inspire us to achieve our highest ideals. We can turn to it for companionship, recreation, comfort, and guidance. It also gives us a cherished story to hold in our hearts forever.

In *Literature Units*, great care has been taken to select books that are sure to become good friends!

Teachers who use this literature unit will find the following features to supplement their own valuable ideas.

- Sample Lesson Plans
- Pre-reading Activities
- A Biographical Sketch and Picture of the Author
- A Book Summary
- Vocabulary Lists and Suggested Vocabulary Activities
- Chapters grouped for study, with each section including:
 - quizzes
 - hands-on projects
 - co-operative learning activities
 - cross-curriculum connections
 - extensions into the reader's own life
- Post-reading Activities
- Book Report Ideas
- Research Ideas
- A Culminating Activity
- Three Different Options for Unit Tests
- Bibliography
- Answer Key

We are confident that this unit will be a valuable addition to your planning, and hope that as you use our ideas, your students will increase the circle of "friends" that they can have in books!



Bridge to Terabithia

by Katherine Paterson

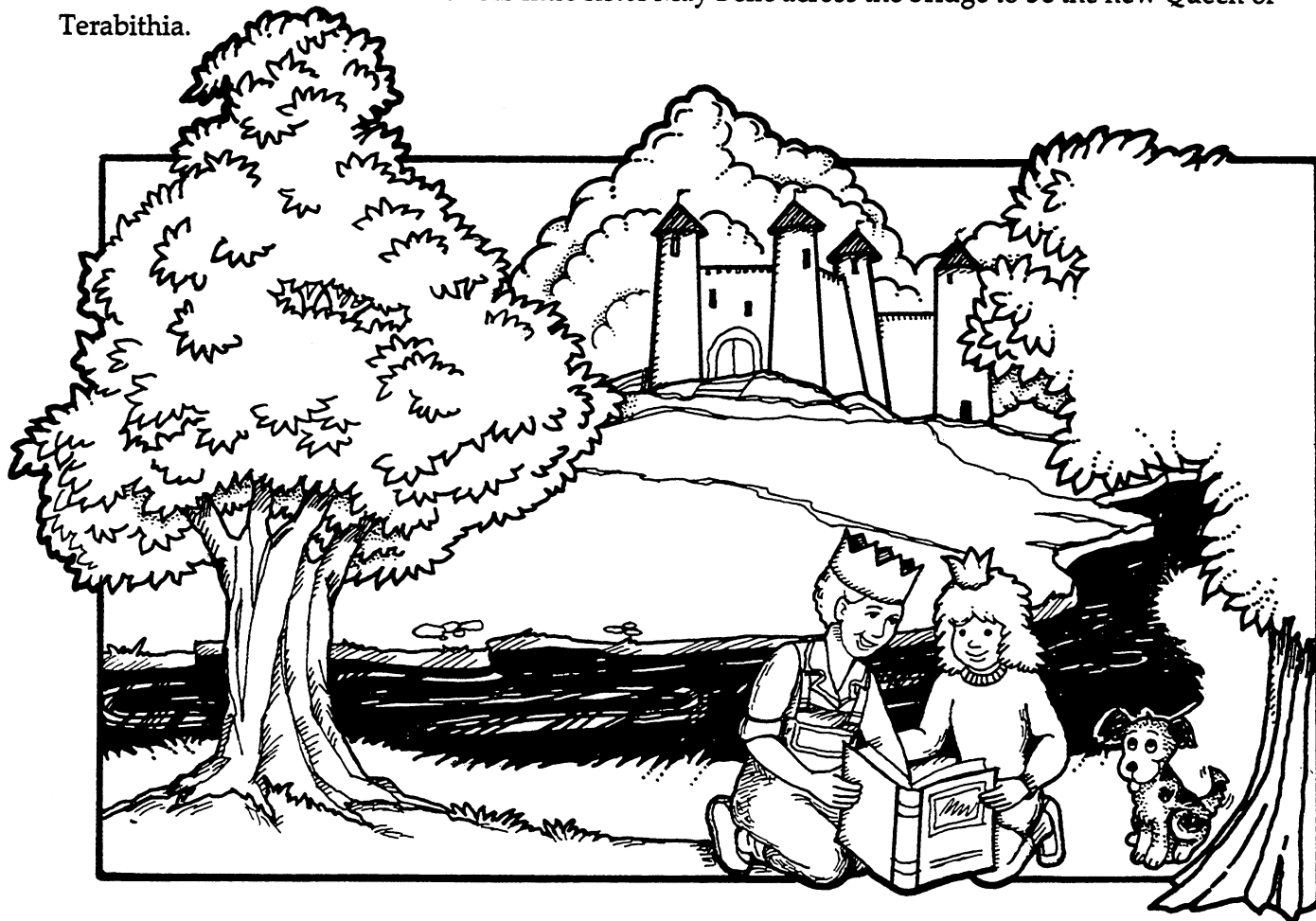
(Harper & Row, 1987)

Jess Aarons wanted to be the fastest runner at Lark Creek Elementary School. He practised all summer for his goal. But when school began in September and all the boys lined up to race, Leslie Burke became the new champion. She not only broke the race records, but the rules. Girls had never been allowed to race with the boys! Because now the race could be won by a girl, all the rest of the boys lost interest in racing, and Jess no longer had a chance at the goal he had worked so hard to attain. But he did find a friend that race day — Leslie.

Jess and Leslie had a very special friendship. With Leslie's expert guidance, they created a secret fantasy world called Terabithia, a world where they were King and Queen, and nothing could daunt them. The magic they created in Terabithia gave them imagination and compassion that touched their lives and reached far beyond the "castle" walls.

Jess grew because of Leslie. She was "more than his friend. She was his other, more exciting self — his way to Terabithia and all the worlds beyond." But Leslie drowned while going alone to Terabithia, and Jess found it difficult to accept her death.

Jess realized that Leslie's friendship had made him strong. To ease his pain and keep her memory alive, he did something that Leslie probably would have wanted him to do. He built a bridge over the creek that claimed her life and led his little sister May Belle across the bridge to be the new Queen of Terabithia.



Vocabulary Lists

On this page are vocabulary lists which correspond to each sectional grouping of chapters. Vocabulary activity ideas can be found on page 9 of this book.

SECTION 1

cagey	muddled
crouched	pandemonium
despised	plunked
endure	primly
goggle-eyed	proverbial
grit	pudgy
grits	thrashed
hypocritical	

SECTION 2

abruptly	reassessing
clabber	repulsive
consolation	retreating
conspicuous	roused
distribution	rumpus
exhilaration	sarcasm
grudgingly	siege
intoxicated	sulked
Narnia	swooshed
ominously	vigorously

SECTION 3

alcove	regicide
annoyance	reluctant
betrayed	roam
consolidated	smirked
crimson	snickered
distracted	speculation
dumbfounded	splurged
exiled	surplus
moony	tangle
obsessed	tolerated
parapets	vile
prey	

SECTION 4

canopy	muffled
clambered	obliged
complacent	prissy
conspiring	ravelled
discern	repented
dread	sodden
earnest	spectacle
flank	sporadically
flounce	squinched
garbled	suppress
idly	vanquished
intently	wheedling

SECTION 5

assuring	objection
chaos	relentlessly
constricting	retrieved
cremated	riot
doused	traitorous
dredging	