

The Other Side

Book Study

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other side
The opposite side of another
"That summer everyone and everything on the other side of that fence seemed far away."

fence
A barrier, railing, or other standing structure
"Don't climb over that fence when you play."

safe
Protected, a place away from harm
"She said it wasn't safe."

jump rope
Play or exercise using a rope
"Once when we were jumping rope, she asked if she could play."

stare
Looking for a long time at something or someone
"Each morning she climbed up on the fence and stared over at our side."

Name: Emily B.
Color by Sight Word

girl beach play care
when came
play care

Name: _____
Character Traits of Annie

Kind lonely
curious friendly
different alone
unique talkative

Friendly
She sits on the fence and visits with Annie.

different
She doesn't care that Annie's skin color is different.

Clover brave

Understanding Characters
Making inferences about the characters in the story by what they did, said or thought.

How did Annie and Clover get around not being able to go to the other side of the fence?
They both would sit on top of the fence.

How did the story end?
It ended by all the girls sitting on the fence together and hoping one day someone would tear down the fence.

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Draw a picture:

Use the story to answer the different questions.

Name: Emily B.

Who lives on each side of the fence? Why do you think it is this way?
The white people live on one side and the black people on the other because of segregation.

What did Annie get to do on rainy days that Clover didn't? Why couldn't Clover do what Annie did?
Annie got to go outside and play. Clover's mom told her she couldn't and needed to play with her rainy day toys.

Describe Clover below:
Clover is African American. She has many friends. She is friendly and curious about the other side of the fence.

Draw a picture:



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Craft, Printables, Lesson plan

Character Traits of Annie

curious
friendly
different
inviting
brave

Characters

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Slavery
Segregation
Angry Groups
Treated Unfairly
change was coming
Parents used to the old ways.

Clover

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Color by Sight Word

girl each play when came

Annie

EXAMPLE

Character Traits of Annie

Kind, lonely, friendly, alone, talkative, unique, different, safe, jump rope, stare, other side, fence, jump rope, safe, stare, other side, fence

lonely
friendly
different
playful
curious

Character Traits of Clover

inviting, curious, kind, friendly, brave, special, strong

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Anchor Chart - Annie

Understanding Characters

curious: She wants to know the girls on the other side of the fence.

lonely: Is always alone at the beginning.

playful: enjoys playing sprinklers and playing in the rain.

Annie: She will go to the other side. She introduces herself to Clover.

friendly: She introduces herself to Clover.

different: She will go to the other side. Doesn't care about skin color difference.

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