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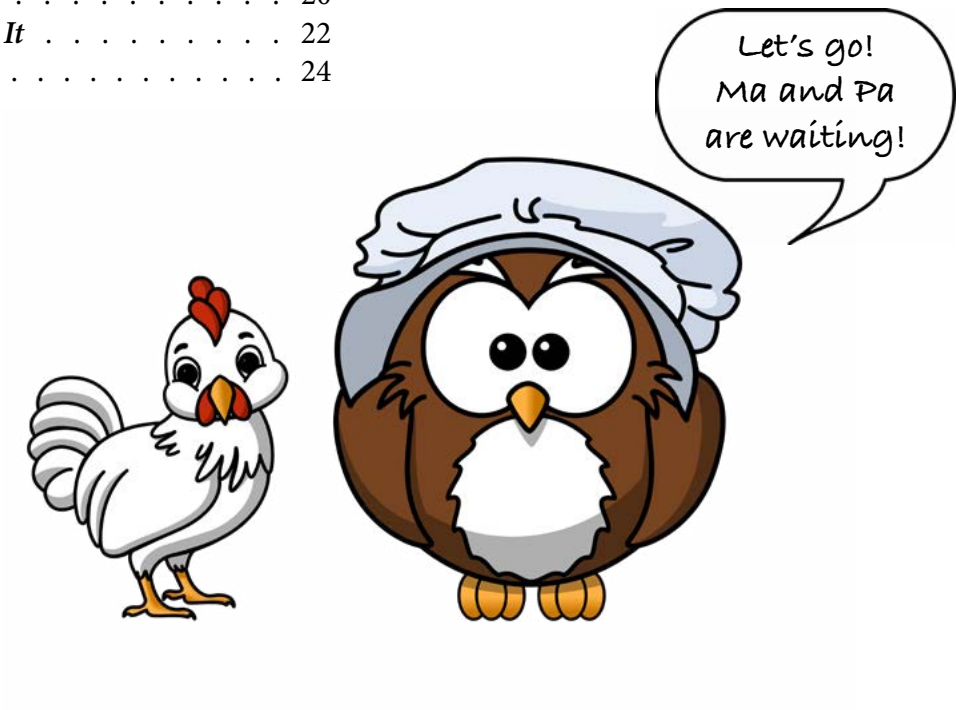
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How to Use This Study Guide



For Early Elementary Students

Progeny Press study guides help young students engage with literature while building foundational reading comprehension and critical thinking skills. Designed for grades K–3, these guides balance structured learning with interactive and hands-on activities.

Getting Started

To effectively use a Progeny Press study guide, ensure students have the following on hand:

- A Bible (we use the NIV translation, but any version is acceptable).
- A dictionary (digital or physical) for looking up unfamiliar words.
- Their copy of the book to reference as they complete activities.

Suggested Study Schedule

Each study guide typically takes 5 to 8 weeks, depending on the student's pace and ability. At this age, it's important to introduce critical analysis gently to avoid overwhelming young learners. A little focused work done well is more effective than a lot of work done poorly and quickly.

- Week 1: Read the entire book together, incorporating simple pre-reading activities.
- Weeks 2–8: Work through one section per week, using the study guide and the book to reinforce comprehension, vocabulary, and discussion. You may slow down and take longer if this becomes difficult for your student(s).

Engagement and Activities

Early elementary guides include a variety of hands-on activities to keep students engaged. These may involve:

- Drawing, art projects, cooking, and crafts related to the story.
- Acting out scenes to reinforce comprehension.
- Simple writing exercises to develop early literacy skills.
- Exploring nature, history, or moral themes found in the book.

Assessment and Review

Unlike upper-level guides, early elementary study guides do not include formal writing or essays. Instead, parents and teachers can assess comprehension through discussions, interactive activities, and simple projects.

Using Online Resources

While supervised internet access can be helpful (and resources may be recommended or shared in the guide), the primary focus is on discussion, hands-on activities, and direct engagement with the book. Progeny Press strongly recommends previewing and monitoring any and all online access.

By following these guidelines, parents and educators can use Progeny Press study guides to cultivate a love for reading and introduce early literary analysis in a way that is engaging and age-appropriate.

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Chapters 3–4

"Trouble," "The Rescue"

Name _____

_____

Due Date

Total Points _____ / 45

Vocabulary

Section points ____ / 10

Match the vocabulary words on the left with the correct definitions on the right.

Column A	Column B
1. ____ pesky	a. quick moving water
2. ____ stampede	b. sing in a low voice
3. ____ crooned	c. a group of people or animals running in a panic
4. ____ current	d. troublesome
5. ____ fussed	e. clucked loudly and carried on

Questions

5 points each ____ / 15

1. Why does Josefina go running into the middle of the animals? Is it Josefina's fault?

_____

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Read the following Bible verses:

Psalm 121:1–2
I lift up my eyes to the mountains—where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.

Isaiah 41:10
So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Philippians 4:6–7
Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

15 Where do these verses say that our help comes from?

16 Does God promise to keep us safe from all troubles?

17 What does he promise?

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