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Cai Chuan Yi

Ying Wa Primary School

Topic **A Toast to Literary Delight:
The "Mountain of Fire"**

The unveiling of Thea Stilton's 'Mountain of Fire' is analogous to sparking an intellectual flame that masterfully welds emotion with an enticing discourse. This novel captivates its readers through a thrilling expedition of Thea and her dynamic companions into the fiery depths of Oz Volcano.

The story's pivotal character, Thea—not merely an explorer and journalist but also a supportive mentor—guides a group of valiant mice, each symbolizing spirited determination and affectionate camaraderie. Their journey as they navigate the treacherous terrains of the rocky volcanic landscape is a richly woven tapestry of substantial emotionality intertwined with exquisite plot development.

As they penetrate the volcano's smoldering core, tiptoeing across volatile bridges of molten lava, the narrative does more than quicken pulses. It invites a profound exploration of strength born from unity and illuminates the enduring power of love amidst hardship. The author's genius lies in their ability to marry thrill and camaraderie, using each as a polish for the other's brilliance and intricacy.

Thea Stilton's 'Mountain of Fire' offers readers more than a tale fraught with danger—it broaches an enriching examination of the depths of fondness and the strength of relationship. This narrative conveys valuable insight inherent in friendships and family ties, pulsating with unwavering resilience and radiating warmth.

In summary, 'Mountain of Fire' kindles not just an insatiable desire for reading, it affirms the invaluable bonds of companionship, and the fortitude that stems from collective spirit. It invites readers to traverse its vibrant pages, to venture beyond the realm of mere literary gratification, and immerse fully in the resonant warmth of shared emotional experiences and their profound echoes in our lives.

Book Read Book title : Thea Stilton and the Mountain of Fire
Author : Thea Stilton
Publisher : New York: Scholastic, 2009.

Comments

- The writer has an excellent sense of the language for his/her age. The lead sentence grabbed the reader's attention. Established a strong beginning, middle and end.
- The writer used sophisticated words, but they came across as very natural.



Chan Lok Ying

SKH Tsing Yi Estate
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Topic **One Hug's Power**

I recently read a book called "One Hug". It tells about the simple act of a hug that holds remarkable power.

In the book, it mentions that "Hugging makes us family" and "Some hugs wait for years and years." I have a warm family. Our family has a very close relationship and both my mom and dad love me and my brother very much. We often hug each other to strengthen our bond and provide mutual support. I remember during the pandemic when the borders were closed, my dad had to work in another city and couldn't come back to Hong Kong for a whole year, I felt very sad during that time. But when my dad finally returned, he gave me a big hug and I felt empowered and loved. I was filled with strength. Hugs create a sense of warmth and comfort. It is a powerful expression of love and care.

As the author questioned in the book, "Someone shy is off alone. Can you help her feel at home?" I saw in magazines that there were "Free Hug Campaigns" in some countries. Nowadays, people suffer from various forms of pain such as disasters, war, and more. Many people are feeling depressed and desperate. I believe that desperate people need hugs to recharge when they feel down. Hugs are going to remind them that they are not alone and that they have someone who cares for them.

Hugs are more than just physical gestures. They are a universal language that transcends barriers. It can mend broken hearts and relationships. I wonder if a heartfelt embrace is possible to make the people more peaceful so that there is no more war and pain. So, let's hug each other and spread joy and happiness.

Book Read Book title : One Hug
Author : Katrina Moore
Publisher : New York: Katherine Tegen Books, c2019.

Comments

- The development aroused readers' interest. Provided insightful evidence in support of his/her idea.
- Nicely link the idea of hugging to social issues nowadays.

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Topic From Strangers to Good Friends:
a Great Bond of Unity

Friendship — one of the most vital aspects of our lives, lucky are those who build friendships filled with a sense of genuineness and affection. As quoted in the notable book called "The Wizard of Oz": *Life is easier with friends who sticks around. It's not where you go, it's who you meet along the way.* Talking about friendship, the book "Wizard of Oz" instantly swarmed through my mind. This book is very simple, yet carries a spark that attracts an ocean of people to read it, so I believe that a lot of people have come across this iconic book at least once in their lifetime.

Belonging to the genre of a fairy tale, "Wizard of Oz" revolves around the brave, kind girl called Dorothy. Due to a surprising tragedy of tornado in her hometown, Kansas, Dorothy is fluffed up to the land of marvelous beauty - Oz. As she strives to go back home, she faces one after another challenge on the way. This is the moment where a blessing in disguise happens, she eventually bumps into and develops a sincere friendship with three other characters, namely the kind scarecrow, the brave Tin Man, and the timid lion. The three of them are very different from Dorothy, but in a united spirit, they helped each other to defeat the fierce monster and the evil witch. At the end, Dorothy was able to find her destination with the power of unity.

To my thoughts, this story high times reflects the great bond of friendship, it echoes to the readers that no matter what our appearance, identity, or personality is, we all are equal. In the story, they encountered many difficulties, but they remained good friends. As I read the book, my soul felt proud and blessed to be surrounded with similar people that I can call them my friends. The piece of literature comes in a variety of versions, such as live, cartoon, book, adopted version, and is available in a lot of different languages, but the original work is the most attractive to me, just like my bond with my good friends.

Book Read Book title : The Wizard of Oz
Author : L. Frank Baum
Publisher : New York: North-South ; 2011.

Comments

- The vocabularies were wide and precise. It had fluent expression with logical sequencing. Ideas were insightful and thought-provoking.
- Good choice of work. Fluent and logical presentation.

Hui Sum Lok

St. Mary's Canossian School

Topic To Kill a Mockingbird —
A Profound Journey Into
the Heart of Compassion and Love

To Kill a Mockingbird - a classic novel written by Harper Lee, gracefully weaves a narrative that centers around the theme of love - familial love, friendship and the bond between a teacher and student.

Set in the small town of Alabama, the story unfolds through the eyes of a precocious young girl, Scout Finch, who lives with her older brother Jem and their lawyer father, Atticus Finch. The love that Atticus shares with his children is not of an overtly expressive nature but is rooted in the principles of respect, understanding and open-mindedness. He teaches Scout and Jem to be empathetic and respectful through lessons that stand as a testament to the profound love he holds for them.

The friendship between Scout, Jem and their summer visitor Dill, presents another facet of love. Their camaraderie is built on shared adventures, secrets and the unfaltering support they provide for each other. They learn to navigate the complexities of life together, with their bond strengthening each passing day.

The rapport between Scout and her first-grade teacher, Miss Caroline, although fraught with misunderstandings initially, blossoms into a relationship of mutual respect and learning. It is a potent representation of how a teacher-student relationship can evolve and resonate with the theme of love.

Reading *To Kill a Mockingbird* is like an exploration into the various aspects of love. It reminds me how love, in its many forms, can be a guiding force in our lives. The familial love between the Finches, the friendship between the trio, and the teacher-student rapport between Scout and Miss Caroline all portray the transformative power of love.

This book resonates with the theme "Reading Love" because it underscores the power of love and compassion in overcoming prejudices and hardships. It demonstrates how various forms of love can shape our understanding of the world. With this book, Harper Lee has not only given us a compelling story but also a profound meditation on love, empathy and understanding. It reminds us that love can truly make the world a better place.

In conclusion, *To Kill a Mockingbird* is a celebration of love in its purest form. It urges us to embrace love in our lives, not just as an emotion, but also as a guiding principle that shapes our actions towards the world.

Book Read Book title : To Kill a Mockingbird
Author : Harper Lee
Publisher : London: Minerva, 1991.

Comments

- Paragraphs had unity, were linked, and showed evidence of planning. The piece showed a sophisticated range with effective words. Ideas were insightful and thought-provoking.
- The book's messages can strongly tie to the theme of the writing task.

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Topic A Love That Is Different, But Not Less

My Topic: A Love That Is Different, But Not Less

Do you have a brother? Do you share things with each other and play together? They say your brother can be your first best friend. I recently read a book called My Brother Charlie. It is a story of fraternal twins Callie and Charlie. Callie loves her brother Charlie despite of how they experience life differently. As they grow together as twins, they share the same things such as curly hair, brown eyes, their love for hot chocolates and marshmallows with their dog Harriett. Even at the beginning of the story, it is already engaging, knowing that Callie and Charlie may be twins, but they are not exactly the same. A lot of things that Callie likes, Charlie does not even want to try.

This story had brought me into their worlds. Callie expresses her feelings easily and always says I love you, while Charlie does not speak at all. He does things in his own way. While Callie loves to play with others, Charlie prefers to be alone.

Charlie has autism. His brain works in a special way and this makes him difficult to express his feelings too. As we casually show our love by saying I love you, he can show it even without saying a word. This story made me realize that a simple tap at the back on someone who is feeling sad is already a way to show your love. And it is even a stronger way to say I love you.

I can deeply relate to this story because I do playdates with children with autism, in a center where my mom works too. As young as one year old and until now, I still do, to help and teach them to speak and play. I feel happy when they laugh with me and when they copy what I do.

In conclusion, this story is beautifully written with compassion, love and acceptance. A sister's love to his brother and Charlie's, a love that seems to be different, but definitely not less.

Book Read Book title : My Brother Charlie
 Author : Holly Robinson Peete and Ryan Elizabeth Peete
 Publisher : New York: Scholastic, 2010.

Comments

- The writer exhibited an effective writing style and clearly engaged the readers. The ideas were simple and insightful.
- An insightful review with personal reflections. Well-structured with an inspiring message at the end.



Lai Sum Yau

Diocesan Preparatory School

Topic The Power of Reading

"Mama died giving birth to you. If you hadn't been born, Mama would've been alive. You are bad luck." Adeline Yen has been blamed all her life for bringing misfortune. The memoir "Chinese Cinderella" follows Adeline born into an affluent Chinese family, who becomes a victim of emotional abuse and neglect at the hands of her stepmother and siblings. She is subjected to constant ridicule, humiliation, and indifference, making her feel like an unwanted burden.

Despite the adversity she faces, Adeline finds solace in reading in the library. From an early age, Adeline develops a deep love for reading, finding solace and escape within the pages of books. Reading becomes her refuge, a source of comfort and inspiration amidst the emotional neglect she faces. Books serve as her companions, providing her with knowledge, imagination, and a sense of belonging. Through reading, Adeline discovers a world beyond her own and nurturing her intellectual growth.

Adeline's love for reading helps her overcome adversity. It becomes a lifeline for her, igniting her curiosity and fueling her determination to rise above her circumstances. Through books, Adeline finds the strength to persevere and ultimately achieving academic success and pursuing her dreams. She wins the first prize in an international writing competition and eventually becomes a doctor.

Adeline experiences support from her Grandpa, who is her pillar of strength and unconditional love. He recognises Adeline's intelligence and nurtures her talents, providing her with the love and encouragement she craves. His love gives her the confidence to believe in her own worth. The book sheds light on the importance of family, love, and acceptance, and highlights the transformative power of unconditional support. Adeline's bond with Grandpa serves as a beacon of hope and love amidst the darkness of her childhood.

"Chinese Cinderella" beautifully explores the theme of love through Adeline's passion for reading and the love she receives from her Grandpa. It highlights how love can provide strength and the belief in oneself to overcome adversity and pursue one's dreams. I highly recommend this book to readers seeking a heartfelt and inspiring memoir.

Book Read Book title : Chinese Cinderella: the secret story of an unwanted daughter
 Author : Adeline Yen Mah
 Publisher : London: Puffin, 1999.

Comments

- The structure was carefully planned. Easy to read.
- Fluent and informative.

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Topic **Little Women: A Heart-Warming Story of Family Love**

Do you have or look forward to having a big family? If so, *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott is a book you will want to discover more about what is the true meaning of family love. Alcott beautifully interweaves bad times and good times as her characters struggle with the trials and tribulations of growing up and their relationship with one another.

Little Women is a heart-rending story about the lovable March family, a family who loses its wealth and gains much more, love and unity. Meg, Beth, Jo and Amy try to support their mother at home while their father is away at war and enter into various scrapes and adventures as they do so. Four daughters of March have different personalities and trace for different dreams. Sometimes they had conflicts between one another and obstacles that they need to overcome, but they realize that not everything has to be glamorous as they have a loving family in their life. On Christmas Day, Mr. March returns home. They girls are overjoyed to see him and finally the March family is complete.

I can tell you what I enjoy most about the book. It is the hardship the sisters face and how they can resolve it. Each chapter describes a different experience of one of the March girls, which offers an exciting journey. The character I appreciate most is Beth because when her mother is away to visit Mr. March, she takes up all the jobs that her mother is used to do despite she is the second smallest in the family. She gets a fever in the end and makes all other sisters reflect themselves how wrong they have been. Although she was neither the most beautiful nor the smartest girl in the family, her kindness and simplicity unite the family and make them realize family love is something that money cannot buy, and it is irreplaceable.

I recommend you read the book *Little Women* when you are lost. Let's find out how family love is the most powerful and faithful thing to support you to go ahead and get through all the difficult moments.

Book Read Book title : *Little Women*
Author : Louisa M. Alcott
Publisher : London: Usborne, 2006.

Comments

- Demonstrated an orderly flow of ideas. The style is energetic and precise.
- The sentence structure is varied and the words are carefully chosen.

Ariadne Tsz Yin Yiu

Heep Yunn Primary School

Topic **The Power of Sibling Love**

My mother always tells me that my brother and I were the same soul split into two. "Sibling love" refers to the affection and bond that brothers and sisters have for each other. They play a unique role in one another's lives. The book that I would like to recommend is *My Sister's Keeper* by Jodie Picoult which shares a lot about sibling love. I have a twin brother who was born just 3 minutes after me and we have been inseparable since birth. I love him so much just like the two main characters from the novel.

My Sister's Keeper tells the story of thirteen-year-old Anna Fitzgerald, who was given birth to provide a kidney transplant for her sister, Kate, who was suffering from leukemia. As soon as she was born, she was denied the freedom to even attend her friend's birthday party because she had to be Kate's donor. However, the plans went completely awry when Anna decided to sue her parents for medical emancipation. As this ethical battle played out in court, we, as readers, see how strong the love actually is between Kate and Anna. It was so emotionally provoking when, at the end of the novel, Kate was revealed to be the one who asked Anna to sue because she wanted to protect her sister from all the future surgeries she would do for her.

This book truly shows the relationships between Anna and Kate who share an intense bond. I can relate to the story because I love my brother tremendously too and I will never harm him regardless. Kate and Anna, like my brother and I, often rely on each other for support and sometimes that support is simply on the other's thoughts. When I get hurt, he often protects me. Anna's role as a donor to Kate is definitely more intense than us. We should, in my opinion, always serve as our sibling's savior. We must show gratitude to our siblings like how Kate shows immense gratitude to Anna because siblings are always connected emotionally and physically.

This book is an emotionally charged novel that delves into sibling love. It examines what it means to be good siblings. I appreciate how engaging the story is. What are you still waiting for? Go borrow the book and see for yourself!

Book Read Book title : *My Sister's Keeper: a novel*
Author : Jodi Picoult
Publisher : New York: Atria, 2004.

Comments

- The ideas were clearly stated and supported. The expression was clear, accurate and appropriate for purpose.
- Fluent delivery of ideas with complex structures and word choices.

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