

RAMONA
AND HER
FATHER

novel study



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A Note to the Teacher

Thank you for your purchase of this *Ramona and Her Father* unit! I believe it will guide your students through each chapter clearly, and that they will be challenged to deepen their thinking as they read.

Inside, you will find:

- Strategy pages to be used throughout the story for Making Predictions, Asking Questions, and Making Connections
- A reading response page for each chapter that varies in question style and targeted reading skills
- Interactive vocabulary pages for every chapter; 5 words are studied per chapter
- A Novel Packet Cover Page
- Bonus Interactive pages to be used at any time during the novel study; students can write a Chapter Summary and complete Character Studies about two important characters
- A complete Common Core alignment guide for each chapter

These pages can be easily adapted for use in your Reader's Workshop, completed independently, in small groups, and in literature circles.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or comments!

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COMMON CORE ALIGNMENT

	2 nd GRADE	3 rd GRADE	4 th GRADE	5 th GRADE
CHAPTER 1	R.L. 2.1 R.L. 2.3	R.L. 3.1 R.L. 3.3 R.L. 3.4	R.L. 4.1 R.L. 4.3 R.L. 4.4	R.L. 5.1 R.L. 5.4
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CHAPTER 4	R.L. 2.1 R.L. 2.3	R.L. 3.1 R.L. 3.3	R.L. 4.1 R.L. 4.3	R.L. 5.1
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PREDICTION CHART

Name: _____

Good readers make predictions as they read. Readers predict by using what they know about the story to make a guess about what may happen next. Often, our background knowledge helps us to predict, as well!

At the end of each chapter, write your predictions in this chart.

	PREDICTION (I think _____ will happen because _____)
CHAPTER 1	
CHAPTER 2	
CHAPTER 3	
CHAPTER 4	
CHAPTER 5	
CHAPTER 6	
CHAPTER 7	

Name: _____

Directions: Cut out and glue into your interactive notebook. Lift the flaps and write the dictionary definition of each vocabulary word. Understanding the meaning of these words will help you to understand the story better!

Glue down the rectangular strip only

RAMONA AND HER FATHER CH.1	joyful
	pest
	uneasy
	perfume
	taxes
	cross adjective

Cut flaps

Name: _____

Directions: Match each word to its definition. Write the letter of the correct match!

WORD

DEFINITION

joyful

a. grumpy

pest

b. feeling troubled

uneasy

c. feeling pleasure and happiness

perfume

d. charges of money

taxes

e. an annoying person or thing

cross

f. sweet-smelling scent

Name: _____

Directions: Answer each question in complete sentences. Look back in the story to provide evidence for your thinking.

1. After reading chapter one, the reader could draw the following conclusion:

At the beginning of the chapter, Ramona is in a good mood.

2. Circle the word that best describes Beezus in chapter one.

grouchy

frustrated

misunderstood

Support your choice with 2 details from the story.

3. Explain what happened to Mr. Quimby's job. Use details from the story in your answer.

Name: _____

Directions: Answer each question in complete sentences. Look back in the story to provide evidence for your thinking.

4. Reread the following sentence:

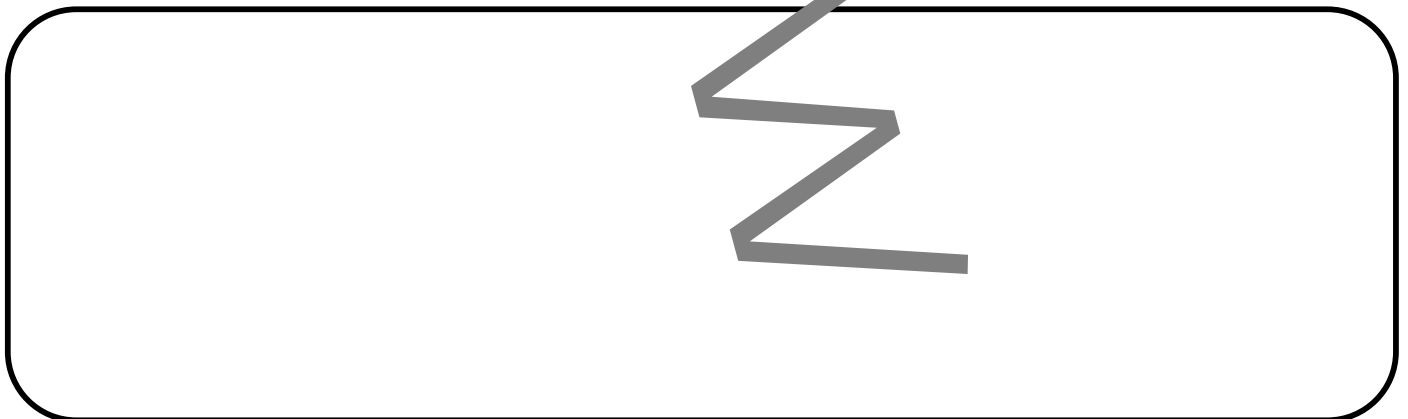
*The girls **bore** the bag off to Beezus' room, where they dumped the gummy bears onto the bedspread.*

Choose the definition of **bore** that matches the way **bore** is used in the sentence above.

- a) An uninteresting person or thing
- b) To move while holding
- c) To push down

5. A team is defined as **a number of people working together on an activity**. Give 2 details from the story that show the Quimby Family working as a team.

6. Good readers visualize when they read. This is like making a movie in your mind that matches what's happening in the story. Draw your favorite part of chapter one below, just as you visualized it.



Name: _____

Directions: Cut out and glue into your interactive notebook. Lift the flaps and write the dictionary definition of each vocabulary word. Understanding the meaning of these words will help you to understand the story better!

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RAMONA AND HER FATHER CH.2	commercial
	absentminded
	linger
	manners
	bur
	anxious

Cut flaps

Name: _____

Directions: Match each word to its definition. Write the letter of the correct match!

WORD

DEFINITION

commercial _____

a. lost in thought

absentminded _____

b. afraid; nervous

linger _____

c. T.V. or radio advertisement

manners _____

d. slow to act

bur _____

e. prickly outside of a plant or fruit

anxious _____

f. polite behavior

Name: _____

Directions: Answer each question in complete sentences. Look back in the story to provide evidence for your thinking.

1. Ramona says one of the biggest changes in the Quimby household was that her father was not himself. Give 2 details from the story supporting Ramona's opinion.

2. Make a list! How does Ramona demonstrate that she wants to be in a TV commercial?

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CHAPTER 2

Name: _____

Directions: Answer each question in complete sentences. Look back in the story to provide evidence for your thinking.

3. Complete the following table, noting what Mrs. Rogers says are Ramona's strengths, as well as her areas needing improvement.

RAMONA'S STRENGTHS ACCORDING TO MRS. ROGERS	RAMONA'S WEAKNESSES ACCORDING TO MRS. ROGERS

4. Complete the short summary of chapter 2, **starting** with Mr. Quimby attempting to remove the burs from Ramona's hair and **ending** at the completion of the chapter.

FIRST	Ramona's father tried to lift the crown off her head. He quickly realized he would need to take the burs out one-by-one.
NEXT	
THEN	
AFTER THAT	
FINALLY	

Name: _____

Directions: Cut out and glue into your interactive notebook. Lift the flaps and write the dictionary definition of each vocabulary word. Understanding the meaning of these words will help you to understand the story better!

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RAMONA AND HER FATHER CH.3	crestfallen
	victorious
	sketch
	carve
	astounded
	quarrel

Cut flaps

Name: _____

Directions: Match each word to its synonym. Synonyms are words that have similar meanings. Write the letter of the correct match!

WORD

SYNONYM

crestfallen

a. drawing

victorious

b. winner

sketch

c. argument

carve

d. amazed;
surprised

astonished

e. cut

quarrel

f. disappointed

Name: _____

Directions: Good readers visualize as they read! This is like making a movie in your mind that matches what is happening in the text. Below, draw a picture summary of chapter 3. Don't forget to label your pictures or write short sentences to explain your drawings! You can even add speech bubbles.

1

2

3

4

Name: _____

Directions: Cut out and glue into your interactive notebook. Lift the flaps and write the dictionary definition of each vocabulary word. Understanding the meaning of these words will help you to understand the story better!

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RAMONA AND HER FATHER CH.4	stern
	pollution
	discouraged
	wisdom
	unanimous
	enthusiasm

Cut flaps

Name: _____

Directions: Match each word to its synonym. Synonyms are words that have similar meanings. Write the letter of the correct match!

WORD		SYNONYM
stern	___	d. poisonous; harmful
pollution	___	b. agreeing
discouraged	___	e. excitement
wisdom	___	d. harsh; severe
unanimous	___	e. disheartened
enthusiasm	___	f. knowledge

Name: _____

Directions: Answer each question in complete sentences. Look back in the story to provide evidence for your thinking.

1. Explain what caused "bumps" in the night.

2. The reader could draw the following conclusion:

Ramona and Beezus want their father to quit smoking.

Support this conclusion with at least 3 details from the text.

3. Why is Ramona's father late getting home?

- a) He was at a job interview.
- b) He was working at his new job.
- c) He was in a long line collecting unemployment insurance.

Name: _____

Directions: Answer each question in complete sentences. Look back in the story to provide evidence for your thinking.

4. Circle the word that you think best describes Mr. Quimby.

careless


loving

frustrated

Support your choice with at least one detail from the text.

5. Make an inference: Do you think Ramona's father loves her? Explain how you know.

6. Draw a scene from chapter 4, just as you visualized it!



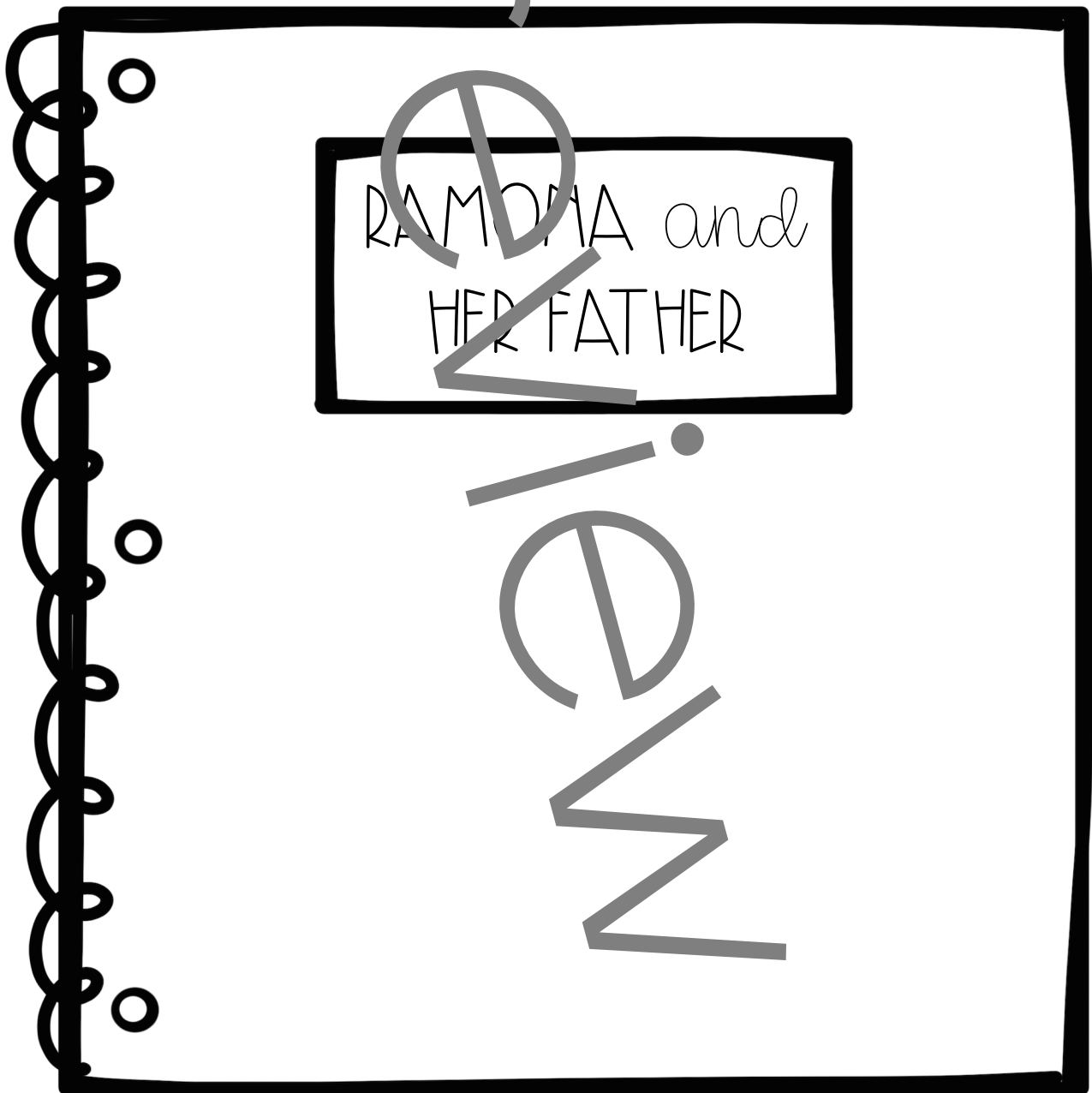
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MY NEW BOOK COVER

Name: _____

MY NEW BOOK COVER

Directions: Use what you know about the story to illustrate a new book cover.



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CHARACTER STUDY

Name: _____

Directions: Cut out and glue into your interactive notebook. Think about 2 important characters in the story. Draw each character on the outside of the flaps. *Inside the flaps*, write one adjective to describe each character. Then give text evidence to support this adjective. (Ex: Peter is patient. He is patient when ...)

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RAMONA AND HER FATHER	Character: _____
	Character: _____

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CHAPTER SUMMARY

Name: _____

Directions: Cut out and glue into your interactive notebook. Lift the flaps, and write a chapter summary. Include the most important events from the beginning, middle, and end of the chapter. Be sure to write the most important characters' names and include information about the setting!

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RAMONA AND HER FATHER	First
	Next
	Then
	After that
	In the end

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READING RESPONSE ANSWER KEY

Chapter 1

1. She enjoyed a good day in second grade; is working on her Christmas list; saying "Yee!" as a joyful noise
2. Answers will vary.
3. Father lost his job; worked for a small company that got taken over by a larger company
4. B
5. Beezus volunteers to babysit to earn money for their family; Ramona wants to have a lemonade stand to earn money; Ramona thinks to make perfume to sell
6. Visualizations will vary

Chapter 2

1. He was always cleaning, smoking, or filling out job applications; not fun like he used to be; won't take Ramona to the park because he doesn't want to miss a phone call
2. Possible answers include: daydreams about it; draws pictures of the things on commercials; she would practice saying the lines in the commercial on her way to school; eats noisily to show she likes the food (like the kid on the commercial); tells Mr. Rogers her pantyhose are wrinkled (like the kid on the commercial says)
- 3.

RAMONA'S STRENGTHS
ACCORDING TO MRS. ROGERS

Good reader, draws unusually well, printing is the best in class

RAMONA'S WEAKNESSES
ACCORDING TO MRS. ROGERS

Impatient, careless with spelling, inclined to show off and forget her manners

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READING RESPONSE ANSWER KEY

4. Summaries will vary. Possible summary:

FIRST	Ramona's father tried to lift the crown off her head. He quickly realized he would need to take the burs out one-by-one.
NEXT	Beezus suggests soaking the burs but then the towel sticks to the burs.
THEN	Mrs. Quimby comes home and laughs at Ramona's predicament. She says they will need to cut the burs out.
AFTER THAT	Mr. Quimby cuts the burs out and lets Ramona watch TV while he works. Ramona sees a commercial and tells her father she wishes she could earn a million dollars.
FINALLY	Her father says he'd rather have Ramona than any money.

Chapter 3

Picture summaries will vary.

Chapter 4

1. Picky Picky (the cat) is eating the jack o'lantern the family carved because he doesn't like the new, cheaper cat food.
2. She tells him smoking kills you; makes a No Smoking sign; Ramona doesn't play with Howie because she's "saving her father's life"; makes a Smoking is BAD sign; makes signs about pollution, forest fires, and smoking being hazardous to your health; holds nose when he smokes; hid father's cigarettes
3. C
4. Choices will vary.
5. Inferences will vary. Likely answer: Yes, he loves her very much. Reasons will vary.
6. Visualizations will vary.