

Student Name: _____**Class:** _____**Due Date:** _____

Introduction

Welcome to the VIPERS homework sheet! This activity is designed to help you practice your reading comprehension skills using the VIPERS method. VIPERS stands for Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval, and Summarise. By completing this sheet, you will demonstrate your understanding of these skills and how to apply them to a given text.

Reading Passage

Read the following passage carefully:

"The sun was setting over the ocean, casting a warm golden light over the waves. The sound of the surf was soothing, and the smell of saltwater filled the air. A young girl, Emily, was walking along the beach, feeling the sand between her toes and the wind in her hair. She was lost in thought, thinking about her upcoming exam and how she was going to study for it."

VIPERS Activity Sheet

Vocabulary:

1. Write down two vocabulary words you found challenging in the passage and explain their meanings.
2. Use a dictionary or online resource to find the meanings of unfamiliar words.

Inference:

1. What can you infer about Emily's feelings towards the upcoming exam?
2. Use evidence from the passage to support your answer.

Prediction

Prediction:

1. What do you think will happen next in the story? Use evidence from the passage to support your prediction.
2. Explain why you made this prediction.

Explanation

Explanation:

1. Explain why you think the author included the description of the setting in the passage.
2. Use evidence from the passage to support your answer.

Retrieval

Retrieval:

1. Find and write down two pieces of information from the passage that support your answer to the previous question.
2. Explain why these pieces of information are important.

Summarise

Summarise:

1. Write a short summary of the passage in your own words.
2. Make sure to include the main events and characters.

Reading Comprehension Questions

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1. What is the main event described in the passage?
2. How does Emily feel about the upcoming exam?
3. What is the author trying to convey through the description of the setting?

Creative Writing:

Write a short story (approximately 100-150 words) that demonstrates your understanding of the VIPERS skills. Ensure your story includes:

- A clear and descriptive setting
- A main character with evident feelings and motivations
- A plot that requires the reader to make inferences and predictions
- Vocabulary that is engaging and appropriate for the story

Book Review:

Choose a book you have recently read and write a book review (approximately 150-200 words) that applies the VIPERS skills. Ensure your review includes:

- A summary of the book
- An explanation of the author's use of setting and character development
- An inference about the author's message or theme
- A prediction about the sequel or next book in the series (if applicable)

Success Criteria

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To successfully complete this assignment, you should:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the VIPERS skills and their application to reading comprehension
- Provide thoughtful and detailed answers to the activity sheet and reading comprehension questions
- Use evidence from the passage to support your answers
- Complete the assignment within the estimated time frame of 20-30 minutes

Parent/Guardian Notes

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To support your child in completing this assignment, please:

- Encourage them to read the passage carefully and take their time to complete the activity sheet
- Ask them to explain their thoughts and answers to you, providing guidance and feedback as needed
- Encourage them to use a dictionary or online resource to find the meanings of unfamiliar vocabulary words
- Provide a quiet and comfortable workspace for your child to complete the assignment
- Encourage your child to take breaks and manage their time effectively to complete the assignment within the estimated time frame

Conclusion

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Congratulations on completing the VIPERS homework sheet! Remember to always apply the VIPERS skills when reading to improve your comprehension and understanding of the text.