The Adventures... Of Alice in Wonderland

A novel unit for Lewis Carroll’s Alice in Wonderland

Combination of reading and writing activities that align with the Common Core Standards
Questions I have about Alice in Wonderland:

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Story Summary

Fill out the info in the chart below.

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### Vocabulary Bank

You will happen upon these words as you read, mark them as you read them and record the page number you find them on.

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Alice often makes decisions based on her curiosity. These decisions get her into some predicaments (trouble) more than once. Keep track of how often Alice makes a decision where her “curiosity gets the best of her.” Write what happens because she makes that choice.

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Comprehension Questions - Chapter 1

1. How does Alice feel about books with no pictures?
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2. What color are the White Rabbit’s eyes? ______________________

3. What was it about the White Rabbit that made Alice jump to chase after him?
____________________________________________________________________________

4. What did Alice forget to consider when she went down the rabbit hole?
____________________________________________________________________________

5. Describe the table: _______________________________________________________

6. What did the key fit to? ___________________________________________________

7. What did the bottle say on it? _______________________________________________

8. What happened to Alice when she drank from the bottle?
____________________________________________________________________________

9. What did the box under the table say on it? _________________________________

Vocabulary: Please define longitude and latitude and draw an example of each:

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Comprehension Questions-Chapter 2

1. How tall did Alice grow? ________________________________________________
2. Why does Alice begin to cry? __________________________________________
3. What causes Alice to begin shrinking again? ____________________________
4. What did Alice think the mouse was? ________________________________
5. What does the word “puzzling” mean? ________________________________

Visualizing
This chapter has some funny things going on. In the box below, draw a picture of what you visualize is happening.
Comprehension Questions - Chapter 3

1. What did Lory and Alice have an argument about?  

2. What did Alice give the Dodo that the Dodo gave back?  

3. Describe what happens in the caucus race.  

4. Who wins the caucus race?  

5. What does Alice give as prizes?  

6. What does Alice mention that upsets Mouse?  

Grammar  
Give a synonym for each of the words listed below:

consultation _______ energetic _______
immediate _______ impatient _______
opportunity _______ uncomfortable _______
Comprehension Questions—Chapter 4

1. Who does the White Rabbit mistake Alice for? ________________________________
2. What does he instruct her to do? ________________________________________
3. What happens to Alice when she is in the White Rabbit’s house? ____________________________________
4. Where does Alice put her arm and foot when she begins to grow? ______________________________________
5. Who went down the chimney? ____________________________________________

Fill in the blanks:
_________ are thrown at Alice. They turn into _________ . She then proceeds to _________ them and begins to _________ .

Eat  Rocks
Shrink  Cakes
Comprehension Questions—Chapter 5

1. What did the caterpillar first say to Alice when he saw her?

Vocabulary:
Match the following words with their definitions.

1. languid
   a. a pattern made up of small corners at variable angles; can be described as both jagged and fairly regular.

2. morsel
   b. to cause displeasure, anger, resentment, or wounded feelings

3. offended
   c. without energy or spirit

4. zigzag
   d. a small piece of food

In the boxes below, illustrate the stages of a caterpillar becoming a butterfly.
Comprehension Questions—Chapter 6

1. What kind of dress is livery?

2. What was the invitation for?

3. Why does the cat smile like that?

4. What does the baby turn into?

5. What does the cat do that makes it hard for Alice to talk to him?

6. How do you think Alice is feeling right now?

7. Use the word “skimming” in a meaningful sentence.

8. Use the word “uncivil” in a meaningful sentence.

9. Look at the title of the chapter 7 and predict what will happen in this chapter.
Comprehension Questions-Chapter 7

1. What normally happens at a tea party?
   ____________________________________________________________
   What do people eat and drink? __________________________________

2. How are both Alice and the March Hare being uncivil?
   ____________________________________________________________

3. “Why is a raven like a writing-desk?” is an example of what?
   ____________________________________________________________

4. Why is the March Hare’s watch unusual?
   ____________________________________________________________

5. In this chapter, they personify Time. If you were to meet Time, as the Mad Hatter suggests, what do you think he would look like?
   ____________________________________________________________

6. What were the three sisters’ names and where did they live?
   ____________________________________________________________

7. After she went through the door in the tree, she found herself in a _______________.
Comprehension Questions - Chapter 8

1. Why are the gardeners painting the roses red?
   ____________________________________________________________
   ____________________________________________________________

2. How did Alice save the gardeners from being beheaded?
   ____________________________________________________________

3. Why is the duchess under a sentence of execution?
   ____________________________________________________________

4. What game does Alice play with the Queen? ______________________

5. Why couldn’t the Cheshire Cat be beheaded?
   ____________________________________________________________

Visualization: Illustrate how you visualize the scene in this chapter. Be sure to use detail.
Comprehension Questions-Chapter 9

1. What does the duchess say “makes the world go ‘round”? ____________________

2. Why do you think the duchess is so pleased to see Alice after being rude to her before?
   ______________________________________________________

3. The duchess likes to talk about the “moral” of things. What is a moral?
   ____________________________________________________________________________________________

4. What is a “mock turtle” ________________________________________________________________

5. What does the word ambition mean? ______________________________________________________

6. Use the word savage in a meaningful sentence?
   ____________________________________________________________________________________________

A gryphon is a mythical winged monster with the head of an eagle and the body of a lion.

Illustrate what you think a gryphon would look like below.
Comprehension Questions-Chapter 10

1. What is a Lobster Quadrille?
   __________________________________________________________________________

2. Who got thrown out to sea?
   __________________________________________________________________________

Unscramble the following vocabulary words:

1. comonnmu
   ____________________________

2. ydrdiguaf
   ____________________________

3. agigtrnd
   ____________________________

4. uuoeirmst
   ____________________________

5. swarzpof
   ____________________________

6. kngeblai
   ____________________________

7. dbiegol
   ____________________________

8. dsstrpzzi
   ____________________________

blacking
dreadfully
forepaws
obliged
persisted
trading
trzemulous
unecommon
Comprehension Questions-Chapter 11

1. Where are the King and Queen sitting? ____________________________

2. How does Alice know who the judge is?
   __________________________________________________________________

3. What does Alice think of the jurors?
   __________________________________________________________________

4. Who was the first witness? ______________________________

5. Who was the second witness? ______________________________

6. What begins to happen to Alice during the trial? ________________

7. Do you think this is how trials normally go on? ________________

8. How do you think Alice is feeling right now?
   __________________________________________________________________
Comprehension Questions—Chapter 12

1. When Alice gets up quickly and spills over the juror box, what is she reminded of?
   ____________________________________________________________________________

2. What is rule forty two?
   ____________________________________________________________________________

3. What does Alice say she knows about “this business”? ________________________________

4. What is written in the “letter”?
   ____________________________________________________________________________

5. What did the Queen throw at the lizard? __________________________________________

6. How does Alice get out of Wonderland?
   ____________________________________________________________________________

7. What does her sister then do? Why?
   ____________________________________________________________________________
Personal Response

In the box below, write your personal response to the story. What parts did you like? How did you connect with the story or the characters? Which character was your favorite?

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