

## Bud Not Buddy Activity Sheets

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### No Crystal Stair Laurel Leaf

"You can't walk straight on a crooked line. You do you'll break your leg. How can you walk straight in a crooked system?" Lewis Michaux was born to do things his own way. When a white banker told him to sell fried chicken, not books, because "Negroes don't read," Lewis took five books and one hundred dollars and built a bookstore. It soon became the intellectual center of Harlem, a refuge for everyone from Muhammad Ali to Malcolm X. In *No Crystal Stair*, Coretta Scott King Award – winning author Vaunda Micheaux Nelson combines meticulous research with a storyteller's flair to document the life and times of her great-uncle Lewis Michaux, an extraordinary literacy pioneer of the Civil Rights era. "My life was no crystal stair, far from it. But I'm taking my leave with some pride. It tickles me to know that those folks who said I could never sell books to black people are eating crow. I'd say my seeds grew pretty damn well. And not just the book business. It's the more important business of moving our people forward that has real meaning."

### **Bud, Not Buddy Leveled Comprehension Questions**

Atheneum/Caitlyn Dlouhy Books

Maximize your students' reading experience by providing activities that foster comprehension and reinforce understanding of literary elements. Activities for each section allow students to process portions of the novel through individual and collaborative exercises that encourage close reading. Suggestions for maintaining

Interactive Novel Logs provide students with additional ways to reflect and connect personally with the novel. Students have the opportunity to synthesize their ideas through a variety of post-reading activities. 80 pages. Grades 3-6.

Bud, Not Buddy Bloomsbury Publishing USA

In winning a medal she is no longer there to receive, a tight-lipped little Polish girl teaches her classmates a lesson. Includes a note from the author's daughter, Helena Estes.

*Bud, Not Buddy: An Instructional Guide for Literature* Carolrhoda Lab ®

In this Coretta Scott King Author Honor Book, Children's Literature Legacy Award-winner Nikki Grimes explores through her celebrated poetry how a supportive teacher can be the key to unlocking a dreamer's imaginative power through creative writing. Gabby's world is filled with daydreams. However, what began as an escape from her parents' arguments has now taken over her life. But with the help of a new teacher, 'Gabby the dreamer' might just become 'Gabby the writer' and the words that once carried her away might allow her to soar. Written in vivid, accessible poems, this remarkable verse novel is a celebration of imagination, of friendship, of one girl's indomitable spirit, and of a teacher's ability to reach out and change a life. Coretta Scott King Author Honor book NCTE Notable Children's Books in the English Language Arts Kirkus Reviews Best Book

### **Home of the Brave** Teacher Created Resources

This Newbery Honor book about a girl who has never known family fighting for her first true home "will leave readers . . . satisfied" (Kirkus Reviews). Hollis Woods is the place where a baby was abandoned is the baby's name is an artist is now a twelve-year-old girl who's been in so many foster homes she can hardly remember them all. When Hollis is sent to Josie, an elderly artist who is quirky and affectionate, she wants to stay. But Josie is growing more forgetful every day. If Social Services finds out, they'll take Hollis away and move Josie into a home. Well, Hollis Woods won't let anyone separate them. She's escaped the system before; this time, she's taking Josie with her. Still, even as she plans her future with Josie, Hollis dreams of the past summer with the Regans, fixing each special moment of her days with them in pictures she'll never forget. Patricia Reilly Giff captures the yearning for a place to belong in this

warmhearted story, which stresses the importance of artistic vision, creativity, and above all, family.

### *The Mighty Miss Malone* Yearling

Three Newbery Medal winners—Christopher Paul Curtis's *Bud, Not Buddy*, Clare Vanderpool's *Moon Over Manifest*, and Rebecca Stead's *When You Reach Me*—come together in this collection that's perfect for catching up on old favorites and discovering new ones. Whether you're looking for an escape or eager to catch up on some summer reading, the three award-winning titles in this collection will stay with you. Titles featured include: · *Bud, Not Buddy*: It's 1936, in Flint, Michigan, and a motherless boy named Bud decides to hit the road to find his father in this Newbery Medal and Coretta Scott King Award-winning classic from Christopher Paul Curtis, author of *The Watsons Go To Birmingham—1963*. · *Moon Over Manifest*: Armed only with a few possessions, Abilene Tucker jumps off the train in Manifest, Kansas, aiming to learn about the boy her father once was. What she discovers sends her and some new friends on an honest-to-goodness spy hunt. · *When You Reach Me*: Shortly after a fall-out with her best friend, sixth grader Miranda starts receiving mysterious notes that seem to predict the future. If that's the case, then Miranda has a big problem—because the notes tell her that someone is going to die, and she might be too late to stop it. Turn to this three-book collection for the classics you remember and the stories you'll never forget.

### *The Hundred Dresses* Penguin

Luther T. Farrell has got to get out of Flint, Michigan. As his best friend Sparky says, "Flint's nothing but the Titanic." And his mother, a.k.a. the Sarge, says, "Take my advice and stay off the sucker path." The Sarge milked the system to build an empire of slum housing and group homes. Luther's just one of the many people trapped in the Sarge's Evil Empire—but he's about to bust out. If Luther wins the science fair this year, he'll be on track for college and a future as America's best-known and best-loved philosopher. All he's got to do is beat his arch rival Shayla Patrick, the beautiful daughter of Flint's finest undertaker—and the love of Luther's life. Sparky's escape plans involve a pit bull named Poofy and the world's scariest rat. Oh, and Luther. Add to the mix Chester X., Luther's mysterious roommate; Dontay Gaddy, a lawyer whose phone

number is 1-800-SUE'M ALL; and Darnell Dixon, the Sarge's go-to guy who knows how to break all the rules. Bucking the Sarge is a story that only Christopher Paul Curtis could tell. Once again the Newbery Award-winning author of *Bud, Not Buddy* and *The Watsons Go to Birmingham—1963* gives us a whole new angle on life and a world full of unforgettable and hilarious characters. Readers will root for Luther and Sparky every step of the way. Praise for *The Watsons Go to Birmingham—1963*: "An exceptional first novel."—Publishers Weekly, Starred "Ribald humor . . . and a totally believable child's view of the world will make this book an instant hit."—School Library Journal, Starred Praise for *Bud, Not Buddy*: "Curtis has given a fresh, new look to a traditional orphan-finds-a-home story that would be a crackerjack read-aloud."—School Library Journal, Starred

**Newbery Medal Winners Three-Book Collection** Scholastic Inc.

What it really means to "read closely" Call it close reading, call it deep reading, call it analytic reading—call it what you like. The point is, it's a level of understanding that students of any age can achieve with the right kind of instruction. In *Rigorous Reading*, Nancy Frey and Doug Fisher articulate an instructional plan so clearly, and so squarely built on research, that teachers, schools, and districts need look no further: *Purpose & Modeling Close & Scaffolded Reading Instruction Collaborative Conversations An Independent Reading Staircase Performance Bud, Not Buddy Vocabulary Activities* Turtleback

The Newbery Medal and Coretta Scott King Award-winning classic about a boy who decides to hit the road to find his father—from Christopher Paul Curtis, author of *The Watsons Go To Birmingham—1963*, a Newbery and Coretta Scott King Honoree. It's 1936, in Flint Michigan. Times may be hard, and ten-year-old Bud may be a motherless boy on the run, but Bud's got a few things going for him: 1. He has his own suitcase full of special things. 2. He's the author of *Bud Caldwell's Rules and Things for Having a Funner Life and Making a Better Liar Out of Yourself*. 3. His momma never told him who his father was, but she left a clue: flyers advertising Herman E. Calloway and his famous band, the Dusky Devastators of the Depression!!!!!! Bud's got an idea that those flyers will lead him to his father. Once he decides to hit the road to find this mystery man, nothing can stop him—not hunger, not fear, not vampires, not even Herman E. Calloway himself. AN ALA BEST BOOK FOR YOUNG ADULTS AN ALA NOTABLE CHILDREN'S BOOK AN IRA CHILDREN'S BOOK AWARD WINNER NAMED TO 14 STATE AWARD LISTS "The book is a gem, of value to all ages, not just the young people to whom it is aimed."—The Christian Science Monitor "Will keep readers engrossed from first page to last."—Publishers Weekly, Starred "Curtis writes with a razor-sharp intelligence that grabs the reader by the heart and never lets go. . . . This highly recommended title [is] at the top of the list of books to be read again and again."—Voice of Youth Advocates, Starred From the

Hardcover edition.

**Infinite Hope** Crown Books for Young Readers

The day he buried his pa, Nobe Chase lost everything—his father, his home, and his dog, Rex. Worst of all, he had to move into town to live with Sheriff Leonard—dog killer, wife stealer, and secret law-breaker of all sorts. That day, Nobe found a new purpose for his life—revenge. Hate takes over his life, burning out of control inside him. Nobe learns how dangerous hate can be when it is unleashed in a fury of fire and gunpowder during a race riot in nearby Tulsa. When the violence spills over into his hometown, Nobe must decide what kind of man he is going to become—one driven by vengeance or one driven by courage. Based on true events in Tulsa, Oklahoma, during May of 1921, Anna Myers has produced a powerful novel about a young man who must wrestle with his past and find the strength to pull free from the poisonous grip of hatred and abuse.

[Bud, Not Buddy Teacher Created Resources](#)

Ten-year-old Bud, a motherless boy living in Flint, Michigan, during the Great Depression, escapes a bad foster home and sets out in search of the man he believes to be his father—the renowned bandleader, H.E. Calloway of Grand Rapids.

[A Guide for Using Bud, Not Buddy in the Classroom](#) Knopf Books for Young Readers

These leveled discussion questions about *Bud, Not Buddy* require students to read closely, make connections, and share their analyses. Included are leveled comprehension questions and suggested answers.

**Bud, Not Buddy** Feiwel & Friends

Kek comes from Africa. In America he sees snow for the first time, and feels its sting. He's never walked on ice, and he falls. He wonders if the people in this new place will be like the winter – cold and unkind. In Africa, Kek lived with his mother, father, and brother. But only he and his mother have survived, and now she's missing. Kek is on his own. Slowly, he makes friends: a girl who is in foster care; an old woman who owns a rundown farm, and a cow whose name means "family" in Kek's native language. As Kek awaits word of his mother's fate, he weathers the tough Minnesota winter by finding warmth in his new friendships, strength in his memories, and belief in his new country. Bestselling author Katherine Applegate presents a beautifully wrought novel about an immigrant's journey from hardship to hope. *Home of the Brave* is a 2008 Bank Street - Best Children's Book of the Year.

*Children of the Great Depression* Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

From a Caldecott Honor-winning artist comes a cozy classic-in-the-making about finding your friends and sticking together through thick and thin. "Our Friend Hedgehog feels like a modern-day Winnie the Pooh. It's so warm and full of joy and love. It's got classic written all over it." --Victoria Jamieson, Newbery Honor-winning author of *Roller Girl* Sometimes you make a friend, and it feels like you have known that friend your entire life. . . . Hedgehog lives on a teeny-tiny island with only her stuffed dog, Mutty, for company. When a great storm carries Mutty away, she embarks on a quest to find her friend.

Following the trail of clues Mutty left behind, brave Hedgehog meets a wiggly Mole, a wordy Owl, a curmudgeonly Beaver, a scatterbrained Hen and Chicks, and a girl who's new to the neighborhood, Annika May. With bravery and teamwork, there's nothing that can stop these seven from finding Mutty, but along the way they discover something even more important: each other. The first book in a new series from Caldecott Honor winner Lauren Castillo, *Our Friend Hedgehog: The Story of Us* has the feel of a timeless classic, introducing an unforgettable cast of characters who will star in many more adventures to come.

**Bud, Not Buddy** Penguin

The popular book club program uses student-led book discussions to introduce children to the world of books and helps teachers engage all students with age-appropriate literature and numerous literary activities.

[Tulsa Burning](#) Yearling

"We are a family on a journey to a place called wonderful" is the motto of Deza Malone's family. Deza is the smartest girl in her class in Gary, Indiana, singled out by teachers for a special path in life. But it's 1936 and the Great Depression has hit Gary hard, and there are no jobs for black men. When her beloved father leaves to find work, Deza, Mother, and her older brother, Jimmie, go in search of him, and end up in a Hooverville outside Flint, Michigan. Jimmie's beautiful voice inspires him to leave the camp to be a performer, while Deza and Mother find a new home, and cling to the hope that they will find Father. The twists and turns of their story reveal the devastation of the Depression and prove that Deza truly is the Mighty Miss Malone.

**The Watsons Go to Birmingham--1963: 25th Anniversary Edition** Scholastic Inc.

Through memoirs, diaries, letters, and other firsthand accounts, illuminates the lives of the American children affected by the economic and social changes of the Great Depression, including

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middle-class urban youth, migrant farm laborers, boxcar kids, and others.

*Rigorous Reading* International Reading Assn

**BUD, NOT BUDDY:** This nonfiction companion to Christopher Paul Curtis's novel *Bud, Not Buddy* explores what life was like during the Great Depression, particularly in the African American community. **A CLOSER LOOK:** Find out more about jazz, unions, Hoovervilles, and Pullman porters—all elements of life in Flint, Michigan, during the 1930s. **NONFICTION COMPANIONS:** This series of 48-page books takes popular, grade-appropriate fiction titles and provides a more in-depth understanding of them. Also includes a glossary and before- and after-reading activities for home or the classroom! **BENEFITS:** Students will love to take a closer look at books that are already familiar to them, reading about the histories, author backgrounds, and real-life facts surrounding books they know and love! **WHY ROURKE:** Since 1980, we've been committed to bringing out the best non-fiction books to help you bring out the best in your young learners. Our carefully crafted topics encourage all students who are "learning to read" and "reading to learn"!

*Clean Getaway* Knopf Books for Young Readers

Essentially a complete teacher's manual for the novel, this LitPlan Teacher Pack includes lesson plans and reproducible resource materials for *Bud Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis. It includes: Daily Lessons, Short answer study questions, Multiple choice quiz questions, Vocabulary worksheets for each reading assignment, 3 detailed writing assignments, Individual and group activities, Critical thinking discussion questions, 5 unit tests (2 short answer, 2 multiple choice, 1 advanced), Evaluation forms, Review puzzles & games, Bulletin board ideas, Reproducible student materials, and more!

*The Blue House* Holt Rinehart & Winston

"What we have here is a bad case of stripes. One of the worst I've ever seen!" Camilla Cream loves lima beans, but she never eats them. Why? Because the other kids in her school don't like them. And Camilla Cream is very, very worried about what other people think of her. In fact, she's so worried that she's about to break out in...a bad case of stripes!