

Mrs. Sena's Second Grade Class
Mockingbird Elementary School
Coppell, Texas
Stone Fox

Interactive Read Aloud:

We read this exciting and emotional book. The book is a story of a young boy who desperately wants to save his grandfather and their farm. His hopes are to get the money needed to pay their taxes by winning a local dogsled race. You may not expect the outcome or who the true hero ends up to be.

Writing Workshop:

After the book, the students wrote a summary of the story. They were asked to have an opening sentence and a closing sentence. They are to state the problem and the solution. They students also tried to add voice to their writing by using colorful language and descriptive words.

Technology Connection:

Kidspiration – Create a story map

Their story maps included: characters, setting, opinion, as well as problem and solution. They inserted pictures from a created custom library and other libraries offered on Kidspiration. They did some typing as well to label characters and state their opinion, problem, and solution.

Student Writing Sample

Once there lived a boy and a grandpa. One day the boy's grandpa just gave up on life. He was supposed to pay \$500.00 in taxes. The boy figured out there was a dog sled race and he could win \$500.00 if he won 1st place. He and Searchlight (his dog) were sure to win. The boy was pushing Searchlight to hard and Searchlight's heart burst. A guy named Stone Fox stopped his sled, drew a line in the snow, shot a gun in the air and said, "If any body passes this line I am going to shoot them." He bet the boy carry Searchlight across the finish line.

Student Kidspiration Sample

