

Grade 7 English Language Arts

Week of Sept 28- Oct 2

Curricular Area: Story

Lesson Materials (Included in this PDF)

- Lesson 1.3 Stories of Bravery
- 1.3 Learning Guide Activity

Big Ideas

- Language and text can be a source of creativity and joy.
- Exploring stories and other texts helps us understand ourselves and make connections to others and to the world.

Learning Targets

- Describe the form, function and genre of narratives (stories).
- Correctly punctuate and use dialogue.
- Respond and analyze different texts.

Task

Read through the lesson for Section 1.3 Stories of Bravery. After you finish reading the lesson pages, complete the activities in the Learning Guide. You can print the Learning Guide, or, copy out the questions onto a separate piece of paper.

Be sure to spend time on independent reading practice with a book of your choice.

Lesson 1.3 Stories of Bravery

A Brave Nanny

Ellen DeGeneres interviews Alyson Myatt, a nanny who ran barefooted through a burning house to save a 5-year-old boy. Watch this YouTube video of their story. Pay attention to how Alyson reacts without hesitation. Listen carefully and take notes as you watch the video.

[Click here to watch the video.](#)

Rikki Tikki Tavi

This story is about a mongoose who saves a family from a cobra snake.

Click [here](#) to read the story Rikki Tikki Tavi.

1.3 Stories of Bravery Learning Guide

1) YouTube Clip: A Heroic Nanny

Answer the following questions:

A. Do you think bravery is something we are born with or learn to be?

B. If the nanny were to write down her experience as a story, list in point form a few sensory details that she might include (sight, sound, taste, touch, smell) to convey her bravery and feelings.

2) Rikki Tikki Tavi

Literary Elements

In the chart below, define the literary element, list an example from the text, "Rikki Tikki Tavi" and describe what the literary element reveals or its purpose in the story.

Definition of Literary Element	Example from the Text	What it Reveals; Purpose/effect
Metaphor		
Similes		
Personification		
Onomatopoeia		