"Because of Winn-Dixie"

Vocabulary

1. **consisted** made up of
2. **positive** completely sure
3. **peculiar** odd or unusual
4. **mood** the way a person feels
5. **talent** special skill
6. **advanced** very good at it; practice a lot
7. **properly** correctly in the right way
8. **mention** to speak about it
9. **comfort** make someone feel better
10. **intends** plans to do a task in the future

**Story Skill:** Story Structure

Characters: Opal, Winn Dixie, and Miss Franny
Setting: Herman W. Block Memorial Library
Plot: Sequence of Events, Conflict, and Resolution

**Decoding Skill:** Vowel-Consonant-Vowel

Find two vowels with a consonant stuck in the middle. Dividing the syllables *before* the consonant makes the first syllable go long. Dividing the syllables *after* the consonant makes the first syllable go short. Decide where to divide the syllables in order to make the word sound right!

**Comprehension Questions**

1. What does Franny think is at the window?
2. What does Franny’s father give her for her birthday?
3. What is special about Winn-Dixie?
4. What is Opal’s main problem?
5. Why did people in town used to make fun of Franny?
6. What happens after Franny finishes her story?

**Spelling**

blade
gray
past
afraid
magic
delay
amaze
drain
maybe
break
sale
hang
stain
glass
raft
jail
crayon
fact
stale
steak

**Challenge Words**

fraction
trait
champion
activity
graceful

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