LESSON PLAN

The Bowman and Lion

GRADES	TIME	READING LEVEL
4–8	50 min	5

Lesson flow



5 min

Opening Hook

- Begin with a brief discussion about the concept of fear. Ask students to share experiences where they felt afraid of something they couldn't see.

15–20 min

Story Exploration

- Read the story "The Bowman and the Lion" aloud to the class. Pause to discuss key points and encourage students to visualize the scenes.

15 min

Analysis Exercises

- Divide students into small groups to analyze the characters' motivations and the moral of the story. Encourage them to think about how the story relates to real-life situations.

10 min

Application/Reflection

- Have students write a short paragraph reflecting on a time they felt afraid of something distant or unknown and how they overcame that fear.

5 min

Assessment Strategy

- Collect the reflection paragraphs and assess them based on clarity, relevance to the story, and understanding of the moral.

STORY OVERVIEW

- **Title and Moral/Theme**: The Bowman and the Lion; Be cautious of those who possess the ability to harm from afar, as their power can instill fear even before they make direct contact.
- **Plot Summary**: A skilled Bowman ventures into the forest for game, but all animals flee from him except for a brave Lion. The Bowman shoots an arrow at the Lion, causing it to panic, demonstrating the fear that can be instilled by someone who can strike from a distance.
- **Key Characters and Their Significance**:
  - **The Bowman**: Represents skill and the ability to instill fear from afar.
  - **The Lion**: Symbolizes bravery that is tested by the threat of distant harm.
  - **The Fox**: Serves as the voice of reason, illustrating the need for courage in the face of fear.

LESSON FUNDAMENTALS

- **Learning Objectives**:
  - Students will understand the moral of the story.
  - Students will be able to identify the key characters and their roles.
  - Students will analyze the significance of fear in the context of power.
  - Students will discuss how distance can impact perceptions of danger.
- **Discussion Questions**:
  1. What emotions did the Lion experience when attacked by the Bowman's arrow?
  2. How does the Fox's advice contrast with the Lion's perception of danger?
  3. What can we learn about courage and fear from this story?
- **Required Materials**:
  - Copies of "The Bowman and the Lion" story
  - Whiteboard and markers
  - Paper and pencils for students

✓ Original text available on the story page.