

Day 8a of *Charlotte's Web* by E.B. White

Chapter 9 *While the rat and the spider and the little girl watched, Wilbur climbed again to the top of the manure pile, full of energy and hope to Chapter 10.*

Opportunity

We are all unique and have our abilities, strengths, and talents.

One Idea

The Queensborough Bridge The bridge was constructed between 1901 and 1909 and was opened to the traffic on June 18, 1909. A collaboration between the bridge engineer Gustav Lindenthal (1850-1935) and architect Henry Hornbostel, the main bridge is 3,725 feet long, the longest of the East River Bridges. The overall length of the bridge, including the Manhattan and Queens, approaches 7,449 feet.

Wilbur was trying to prove that he could spin a web. He tried and tried and was not able to spin like Charlotte. She shared that not all creatures can spin webs and let him know that spiders are unique and can spin webs, and other animals cannot. She compared her abilities with man's ability to build a bridge. A spider can spin a web in a night. It took man eight years to build the Queensborough Bridge. Spinning a web is not one of Wilbur's talents.





Three Words

Let's learn, practice, and add these words to the Word Wall:

Word Wall

summoning to command to call or convene.

sedentary requiring much sitting.

gullible easily duped or cheated.

Read

We read the daily selection as a group, in pairs, or individually:

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Text with additional location or activity information

So Far

What happened in today's reading? Let's list what happened in order on a Timeline.

Timeline

Wilbur tried to spin a web.

Charlotte convinced Wilbur that he is not equipped to spin webs and that he has a different role in life.

Charlotte shares to Wilbur about being sedentary and how she can observe more because she is not forced to rush.

Wilbur loves the peace of the summer evening and the farm. He does not want to die.

Charlotte is working on a plan to save Wilbur's life.

Charlotte tells Wilbur that his job is to build himself up and not lose his nerve.

Discuss

1. Charlotte knew Wilbur couldn't spin a web, but she allowed him to try anyway. What was her reaction to Wilbur after he failed?
2. What role does Charlotte play to Wilbur and the other animals? Can you have more than one role to different people? Explain.
3. How do you describe the lamb and its relationship to Wilbur?
4. Wilbur loves the summer nights and how they are silent. How do you describe the sounds of silence? What do you hear when it is quiet? How do those sounds make you feel?
5. Charlotte promises that she will save Wilbur. Do you think she is wise to make that promise? Explain.
6. What does Charlotte expect from Wilbur?

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