



AUDIO BOOK ACTIVITIES FOR **SNAKE FOOD** BY KRISTIN A. FULTON

The following is a list of suggested activities for enrichment and extension for Snake Food. This is by no means a comprehensive list of possible activities. If you think of a project that fits in with the book, please share on my website.

Print copies of Snake Food are available on Amazon should you decide to read along with the audio book.

PRE-LISTENING: I always encourage listeners to doodle as they listen, suggesting that they doodle in response to what they are hearing. If you choose to doodle, you'll need paper and pencils. A prompt for doodling might ask them to make a sketch of something they heard, write down an interesting word, etc. Doodling is entirely optional, but it can aid in the process of focusing on listening.

Narrative journal topics can be introduced as episodes close. Listed below are narrative journal topics and creative writing prompts for some of the chapters:

JOURNAL PROMPTS AND CREATIVE WRITING TOPICS

CHAPTER 1: Olivia and Theo have a sudden change in plans. Write about a change in your plans. Tell what you were doing before your plans were interrupted. Explain how your plans got interrupted. What was the outcome? Why was the interruption important or significant?

CHAPTER 2:

- a) When the kids arrive at the train station, no one is there to pick them up. Write about a time that you felt stranded— suddenly on your own and unsure about the immediate future.
- b) Character description: Make up a character and describe that person using lively adjectives. Have fun! Make your character come alive.

CHAPTER 3: Choose a venomous creature, insect, arachnid, reptile, etc. Write down five questions you want to know about the creature. Use the internet to find your answers. Be sure to visit reliable sites. Share your information after you've answered the questions.

CHAPTER 4: Think of some inventions that would be handy or fun. Make a list of the inventions. Draw or sketch one of the inventions. Be as silly as you'd like.

CHAPTER 5: Write a paragraph about what you might do if you suddenly had no cell phone or internet access. What would it feel like? What would you do to replace the electronic activities?

CHAPTER 6: Write about a time when you were overheard, or you overheard something. Describe the situation and tell about the consequences.

CHAPTER 7: Create a short plot outline for a mystery. Decide on characters and what they will solve during the course of the plot.

CHAPTER 8: Write a paragraph or two on the topic: *A Time When Being Sneaky Paid Off*. This doesn't have to be personal. It can be a cat being sneaky. Be descriptive.

CHAPTER 9: Summarize the dilemma (dangerous problem) faced by the characters in the story.

CHAPTER 10: Divide a piece of paper into boxes. You will need 7 boxes for the main characters. In each box, write the name of one of the characters from the story and three or more words to describe the character. Feel free to sketch in the boxes. Stick figures are fine.

CHAPTER 11: In Snake Food the children work with adults to solve the mystery. Write a paragraph or two about an adult who means a lot to you. Explain why he or she is important in your life.

CHAPTER 12: Create your own villain. Name him or her. Draw a picture of your villain.

CHAPTER 13: What kinds of jobs do you do? Around your house? At school? To earn your allowance? List them. Mark the jobs you don't mind with a plus sign (+), and the jobs you hate with a minus sign(-).

CHAPTER 14: Pick someone you know and write a letter to them. You might include information about what you are doing (or not doing), what the weather is like, what your family members are up to, your thoughts and feelings, etc.

CHAPTER 15: Make a prediction: What do you think might happen next?

CHAPTER 16: Describe an experience you had where there was teamwork in order to accomplish something.

CHAPTER 17 & 18: Write a few sentences to describe the heightening tension in the story.

CHAPTER 19 & 20: Pick a scene from one of the chapters and sketch it in your journal.

CHAPTER 21, 22, EPILOGUE: Write a response to the following question: Would you recommend Snake Food to a friend? Why? Why not? Explain.

BONUS WRITING: Write a scene between Vladimir and Mrs. Zelinsky that takes place in their new home. In the scene, please include dialogue between the characters (what they say to each other.)

Have fun.

