

Fantasy

Kate Saves the Date!

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STRATEGIES & SKILLS

Comprehension

Strategy: Make and Confirm Predictions

Skill: Plot

High-Frequency Words

away, now, some, today,
way, why

Phonics

Long *a*: *a_e*

Content Standards

Social Studies

Geography

Word count: 202**

**The total word count is based on words in the running text and headings only. Numerals and words in captions, labels, diagrams, charts, and sidebars are not included.



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Essential Question

How do we measure time?

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“Mommy, is the party today?
Will Amy come today?”
Kate asked.

“No, the party is next
Monday. Amy will come
then,” Mommy said.



"Today is Monday,"
Kate said.

"But Amy will come next
Monday," said Mommy.



"What is today?"
Kate asked.

"Today is Tuesday,"
said Mommy.



“When will Amy be here?”
Kate asked.

Mommy said, “Amy will
be here in six days.”

“That’s a long way off.
I have to wait for so long!”
said Kate.





“What is today?” Kate asked.

Mommy said, “Today is Wednesday. Amy’s visit is now five days away.”



“What is this?” Kate asked.

“This shows all the days,”
Mommy said.

“This is May,” Kate said.

“What is the date of Amy’s visit?” Mommy asked.



Kate saw the date.

“Why, here it is!” she said.

Mommy said, “Now save the date.”





Kate saw the date.

“Amy’s visit is soon!”
she said.



“Today is the day!”
Kate yelled.

The party was great!

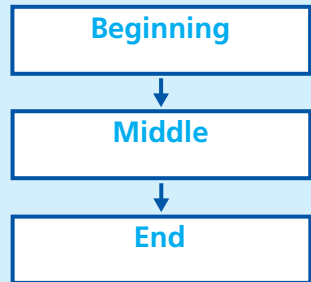
They had some fun.
No one was late.
Kate saved the date!



Respond to Reading

Retell

Use the chart to help you retell the story.



Text Evidence

1. What is Kate waiting for? **Plot**
2. Look at page 7. How does Mommy help Kate wait? **Plot**
3. Is *Kate Saves the Date* a pretend story? How can you tell? **Genre**

Compare Texts

Read about how people use calendars.

Use a Calendar



Why use a calendar?
A calendar lets you
see dates.



MARCH



NOVEMBER



A calendar shows all the months in a year.

Look at all the days and weeks in a month! You can make a calendar too.

This girl made her own calendar



Make Connections

Look at both stories. How does a calendar help? [Text to Text](#)

Focus on Literary Elements

Dialogue Dialogue shows that the characters in a story are talking to each other.

What to Look for Dialogue is set off by quotation marks:

“When will Amy be here?”
Kate asked.

Your Turn

Work with a partner.

Think of a story you both know.

Act out a scene from the story using dialogue.

Thinkmark

Characters

Who are the characters in *Kate Saves the Date!*?

Setting

Where did this story take place?
When did it take place?

Make Connections

How do you use a calendar?