

Visualize

When you visualize, you use the author's words to form pictures in your mind about a story.



Find Text Evidence

After reading page 291 of "Happy New Year," I used the author's words to help me visualize what was happening in the story.

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On December 31, our city had a celebration to welcome the New Year. This celebration began with a **parade**. A band played music, and I got my face painted like a lion. Then I watched a man carve animals from ice. We were **surrounded** by fun!

Just before midnight, everyone went to the park. The crowd counted down the last seconds of the old year. Then came my **favorite** part, the thing I like most. Pop! Pop! Pop! Fireworks like a shower of colorful lights sprinkled down from the sky.

I read that there was a band playing music and the girl got her face painted like a lion. This helps me visualize the story.

Your Turn

COLLABORATE



Reread page 293. What words help you visualize the Chinese lion dance?

Compare and Contrast

When you compare characters and events in a story, you look for ways they are alike. When you contrast characters and events, you tell how they are different.



Find Text Evidence

On page 292 of "Happy New Year!" I can compare how long the Chinese New Year and the United States New Year last.

	United States Celebration	Chinese Celebration
How long it lasts	one night	fifteen days
Activities		

Your Turn

COLLABORATE



Continue rereading the story. Compare and contrast the information and fill information in the graphic organizer.

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Use the interactive graphic organizer

Realistic Fiction

The story "Happy New Year!" is realistic fiction.

Realistic fiction:

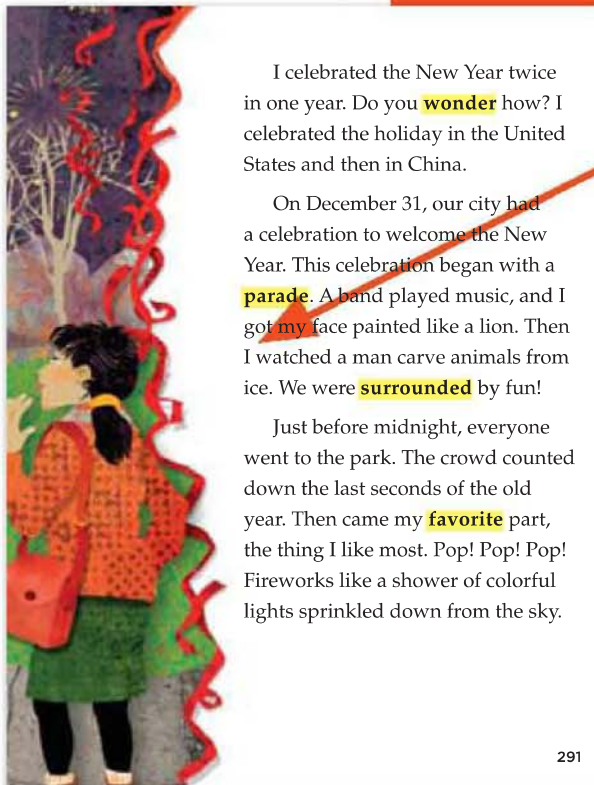
- has made-up characters, settings, and events that could be real.
- is sometimes written in the first person.



Find Text Evidence

I can tell that "Happy New Year!" is realistic fiction. The events in this story could be real events. The story is told by a person who could be real.

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I celebrated the New Year twice in one year. Do you **wonder** how? I celebrated the holiday in the United States and then in China.

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Story Structure

Realistic fiction sometimes uses **first person**. A character uses words, such as *I, me, we, our, my, or us* to tell the story.

Your Turn

Give two more examples of how you know this story is realistic fiction.

COLLABORATE



Similes

A simile uses the words *like* or *as* to compare two different things. To understand a simile, figure out how an author compares one thing to another.



Find Text Evidence

I read "a plane travels over the ocean like a whale in the sky." I see the word like, so the author must be using a simile. I think the author is comparing the large size of the plane to the size of a whale.



A plane is huge and travels over the ocean **like a whale in the sky.**

Your Turn

COLLABORATE



Find the similes below. Tell what the author comparing.

cloth, page 293

full moon, page 293



Readers to . . .

Writers use voice to show their feelings. Writers may show their excitement or interest about a topic. Reread the passage from “Happy New Year!”

Expert Model

Voice

How does the speaker **show feelings** in this passage?




Later that week we watched the Chinese lion dance. I’d never seen anything like it. Each pair of dancers wore a fancy lion costume made of cloth as yellow as the Sun. The dancers leaped through the air and did amazing tricks!



Writers



Editing Marks

-  Add a period.
-  Add.
-  Take out.

Grammar Handbook

Irregular Verbs,
See page 486.

Jenny wrote a letter to her friend.
Read Jenny's letter.

Student Model

Dear Bella,



How was your Fourth of July? I had the best holiday!

Every year, our family goes to the lake. The weather was really hot, so we swam. Then we ^{ate} ~~eat~~ dinner by the lake. Finally, it was time for the fireworks. ^{giant} I liked the purple ^{giant} fireworks the best!

Your friend,



Jenny

Your Turn

COLLABORATE



- Identify the feelings Jenny shows in her letter.
- Identify an irregular verb.
- Tell how revisions improved her writing.

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