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Activity One

PHYLLIS REYNOLDS NAYLOR

Phyllis Reynolds Naylor is the author of **Shiloh** and over 150 books. What other books have you read written by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor?

Which would interest you more? A series about a young adolescent girl named Alice, a series about witches, or a series about battles between boys and girls?

What factors would make you choose one series over another?

If your dream is to become a writer, what questions would you ask Phyllis Reynolds Naylor about her writing career?

What tips would you expect to hear from Phyllis Reynolds Naylor?

Phyllis Reynolds Naylor has received over 10 000 rejection slips from different publishing companies. What does this tell you about the famous author and the writing industry?

Do you predict she will write another book? Why or why not?

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Activity Two

THE HISTORY OF YOUR TOWN, VILLAGE OR CITY

Write the name of your town, village or city.

How did your town, village or city get its name?

How many years ago was it discovered?

What businesses, factories, or companies are found there?

What major changes have happened in your town, village or city in the past few years?

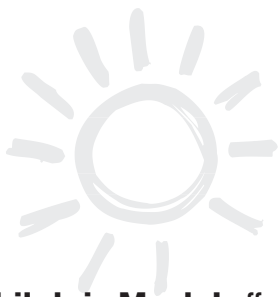
What changes would you like to see done?

What is your favorite thing about your town, village or city?

What is your least favorite thing about your town, village or city?

One day when you grow older and have children of your own, will you want to raise your family in this town, village or city? Explain your answer.

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Activity Three

MY PET DOG



Shiloh is Marty's "adopted" dog. Marty must tell lies to his parents and neighbors, and steal food for the dog as well. Owning a dog has a lot of responsibilities.

Do you have a dog? If so, what type? What is his or her name?

What different types of dogs are there?

What are some unique qualities dogs share that make them 'man's best friend'?

What similarities and differences are there between your dog and Shiloh?

SIMILARITIES	DIFFERENCES

Based on your findings, which dog is easier to care for? Why?

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Activity Four



THE POSTAL SERVICE

Marty's father is a postal worker. He cases and delivers mail. He works in the country and he delivers mail from his truck. Most houses have boxes along the side of the road rather than a mailbox on their door.

Where is your mailbox located?

When was the last time you received mail? What type of mail was it?

When was the last time you wrote a letter? To whom did you write your letter? Did they write back?

How far is the nearest post office? How often do you go there?

What types of mail do you receive at your house?

Who gets the most mail? Who gets the least mail?

How much is it to mail a postcard within your country? A letter? Are all letters the same price?

Do you know how much it is to mail a letter to another country in North America? How long would it take to mail a letter there?

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Activity Five

HUNTING LAWS IN YOUR REGION

Marty knows that Judd hunted out-of-season and that if the new game warden ever found out, Judd would be in serious trouble.

Where do you live and under which jurisdiction do your hunting rules and regulations fall?

What type of hunting is practiced in your region?

When are the different hunting seasons?

Explain why rules and regulations exist for hunters?

How many different types of hunting are there?

If you had the opportunity to sit down and ask a hunter some questions, what 4 questions would you ask him or her (that you don't already know)?

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2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

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Activity Six

MONEY AND CHORES

Marty does a lot of work around the house, but he does not get paid for it, or get an allowance.

Do you receive an allowance? Do you help out around the house? If so, list the chores you are responsible for. If not, explain reasons why.

What is your favorite chore and why?

What is your least favorite chore and why?

Ask 3 girls in your class what their favorite chore is and if they get 'paid'.

Now ask 3 boys in your class what their favorite chore is and if they get 'paid'.

Based on your findings, what are the favorite chores and what are the least-favorite chores?

Based on your findings, do most kids get paid for doing their chores? Why or why not?

If you could choose to do any ONE chore, what would it be and why?
