A Collaborative Comprehension Worksheet for Three Reading Buddies

The Fox and the Crow — A Let's do it again! scripted play by Ellie Hallett readingworks.com.au

Use a computer to write your answers to all the questions below - or handwrite them. Print and paste - or handwrite answers straight onto the facing page of your project book.

- 1. Instead of repeating the word 'cheese' many times, find five other words and phrases that describe the cheese that Crow took from the farmhouse.
- 2. Put each of the following words and phrases in a sentence. Be creative so a reader can see your ideas in their imagination. Draft each one in your brain until you are happy with it, and then write or paste it on the facing page.

plumage	begging to be eaten	shimmering	unblinking eyes
well-groomed	glides up the river	struts	good taste
inspired to continue	bathed in sunshine	noble	swooping

- 3. Why doesn't Fox have many friends?
- 4. What is a fable?
- 5. How is a fable different to a myth?
- 6. Someone has just asked you about Aesop. (pronounced Ee-sop) Write an answer in three clear and informative sentences. Memorise it and then tell without any ums and ahs to three people. Sound interesting!
- 7. What is your favourite part of this story? Explain specifically why you like it.
- 8. Work on a cheese-research project over two or three weeks.

Work alone or with your group of three.

Research task options: [THIS IS AN ADVANCED ACTIVITY.]

- a. Briefly describe and illustrate how cheddar cheese is made.
- b. When you are next in a supermarket, take photos of ten different cheeses. (You will need to phone first to get permission from the supermarket manager. Wear your school uniform and have a trusted adult with you. Also have an explanatory note from your teacher with you on school letterhead. Meet the manager or staff member when you arrive. Thank them.)
- c. Make a list of as many cheese names as you can find. Give their country of origin and the milk used (e.g. cow, goat, sheep).
- d. Research strange cheeses from around the world. [Be ready to be surprised!]
- e. Give a talk to the class or a PowerPoint presentation at Assembly on what you have learnt.