

## Guided Reading

### Monday

Read Chapter 20 and answer the questions.

What prize did Wilbur and Mr Zuckerman get at the fair?

In what way was Fern's reaction to the prize different to the rest of her family? Why do you think she reacted this way?

Find a word on page 209 that means self important.

Why did Wilbur tremble after the announcement?

What does the phrase 'her hour of triumph mean' and why is Charlotte triumphant when it is Wilbur who is winning the prize?

How did Templeton react to Wilbur's fame in the grandstand? What does that show us about his character?

How has Wilbur's fame benefited the whole community?

How did Wilbur react to all the attention and what does this show about his character?

What did Templeton do to help Wilbur when he was getting his prize and why did he do it?

Why was the prize winning the greatest moment in Mr Zuckerman's life?

### Tuesday

Read Chapter 21. (This chapter makes me cry a bit)

Why do you think Charlotte suddenly stops talking on page 221?

Why do you think Wilbur cries as he says he thought she was cruel and bloodthirsty when he first met her?

Charlotte says she helped Wilbur as she was trying to lift up her life a trifle. What does this mean?

She also says 'anyone's life can stand a little of that'. What do you think she means by this and do you think she is right?

How does Charlotte feel about dying? Which parts of the story tell us that?

Were you surprised when you found out that she was going to die?

Find a word on page 224 that means extreme sadness.

What did Templeton do to help Wilbur with Charlotte's eggs and why did he do it?

Has Templeton's character changed in the story?

Did Wilbur do the right thing to leave Charlotte at the fair?

Why do you think he preserved Charlotte's eggs?

How did the death of Charlotte make you feel? What do you think was effective about the way the author wrote this?

### Wednesday

Read Chapter 22

What did Mr Zuckerman feed the geese in winter? 236

How did Wilbur show his continuing friendship to Charlotte even though she was dead?

Templeton grows to the size of a small woodchuck. What is this?

Why is it significant that the last of Charlotte's web has blown away?

How does Wilbur feel when the spiders start to hatch? Use evidence from the text.

What is a BB shot?

How does he feel when they start to float away? Use evidence from the text.

How does the little spider greet Wilbur on page 245 and what does this remind you of?

How does Wilbur feel when he finds out there are three left? Use evidence from the text.

How do the spiders get their names?

The author spends a lot of time describing the seasons. Why do you think he does this?

Which character would you most like to be like and why?

No other spider ever took Charlotte's place in Wilbur's heart. Does remembering old friends stop us from making new friends? Should we try and forget old friends to make way for new ones?

What did Charlotte teach Wilbur about being a friend?

Did you like the ending to the book?

### Thursday

Please write a review of the book. Write about the parts you liked and didn't. Who was your favourite character? Give a brief summary of the book. Who would enjoy reading this book?

There are a few words used in the book you may not have heard of. Can you look these up in a dictionary? Humble, spinneret, buttermilk, radiant, sedentary.

Try to find out a little bit about the author. All three of E.B. White's children's books have been made into movies starring famous Hollywood actors. Can you find out what they were?

### Friday

Try a comprehension from Schofield and Sims writing book.

