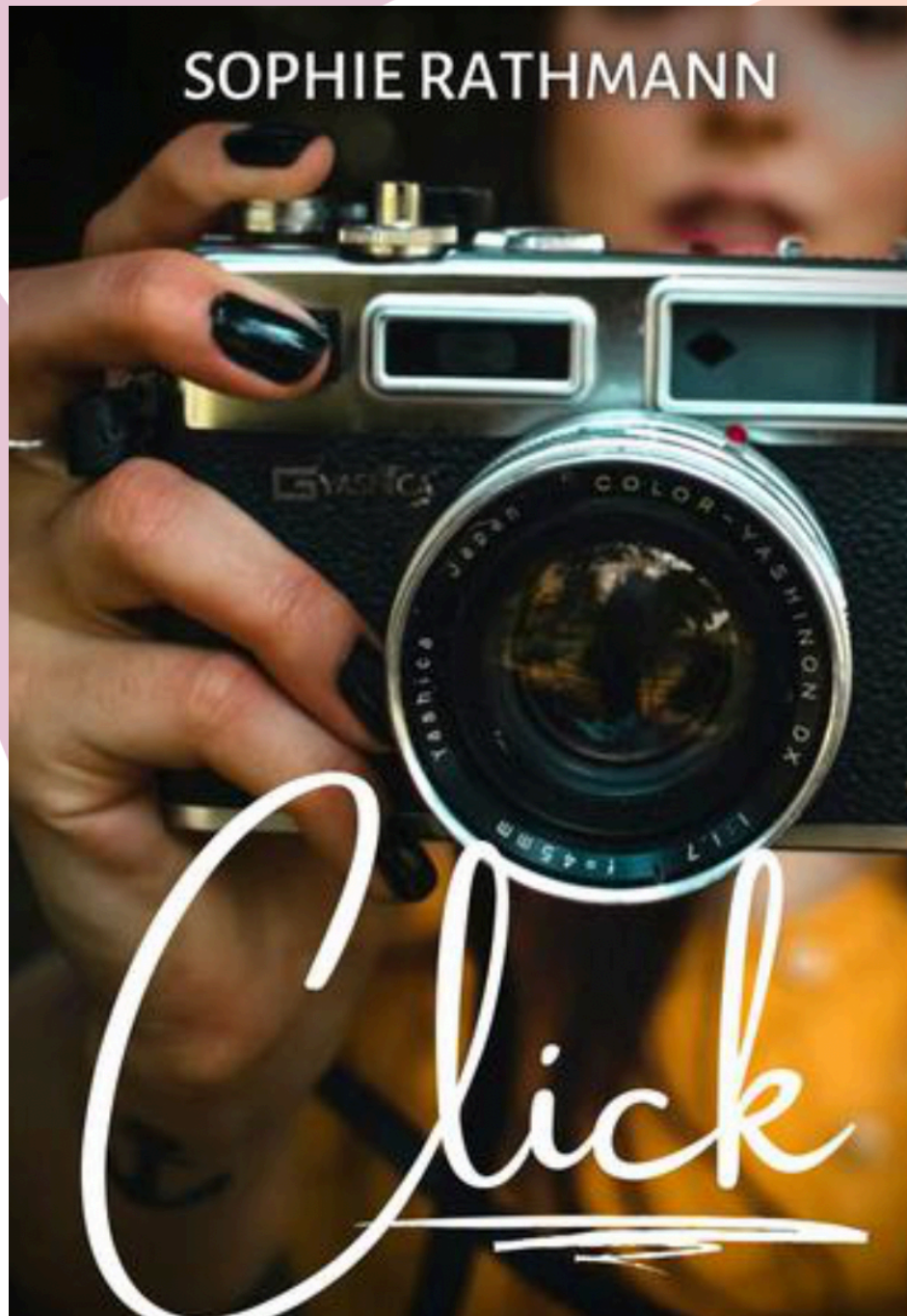


TEACHER RESOURCES & STUDENT ACTIVITIES



How to Use Storyshares Teacher Resources & Student Activities

Pre-Reading

Share **background information**.

Introduce the **vocabulary** to the students. Discuss meanings. Click here for an **instructional routine** for vocabulary.

Reading

Share the written response to reading prompt ahead of time as the **focus for reading**.

Encourage students to **read a chapter** of the text independently or in pairs.

After Reading

Students can complete the **trivia worksheet** or make it into a game! Either way, make time to review answers.

Students complete the **written response to reading** prompt.

Background Information

Gwen and her dad have their annual summer hiking trip coming up, but right now, things are complicated between them. Will the time together help them to meet in the middle or drive them farther apart?

Visual Vocabulary

This vocabulary guide was created with English language learners in mind. This table flags Tier 2 vocabulary words in every chapter. This guide includes the definitions in context, as well as images and examples from the text.

Trivia Questions




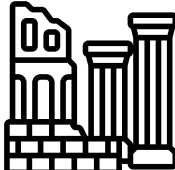


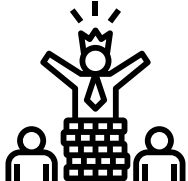

This is a ready-made student worksheet that can be given as a check for understanding after students have finished the book. You can also gamify the trivia questions, making this a small group activity. **Answers: 1. D; 2. D; 3. B; 4. C**



Click [here](#) for reading comprehension worksheets and graphic organizers.



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Word	Definition	Image	Example
existed (verb)	to have been real		...her father lived in the middle of nowhere, where dirt roads still existed . (ch 1)
expensive (adjective)	costing a lot of money		She made sure not to crush the expensive camera hanging around her neck. (ch 1)
intimidating (adjective)	to make one feel frightened or nervous		Despite her short stature, she was an intimidating young woman. (ch 1)
civilization (noun)	a relatively high level of cultural and technological development		Normally, they'd leave civilization completely behind as soon as they got in the truck. (ch 1)
frequent (adjective)	occurring or done on many occasions, in many cases, or in quick succession		His joints gave him more trouble, his migraines had gotten more frequent ... (ch 1)
instinct (noun)	a natural or inherent aptitude, impulse, or capacity		Mostly on instinct , Gwen snatched the shiny thing out of the air. (ch 2)
privilege (noun)	a special right, advantage, or immunity granted or available only to a particular person or group		She sure hadn't earned the privilege , especially not with her whole attitude... (ch 2)
responsibility (noun)	the opportunity or ability to act independently and make decisions without authorization		She'd proved to him by now that she could handle the responsibility of leading the hike... (ch 5)

Name: _____ Date: _____

Multiple Choice

Read the questions carefully. Choose the answer that fits the question best.

1. Why does Gwen feel responsible for the dog during the hike?

- A.** Because Malcolm left her alone with the dog as a test
- B.** Because the dog was a gift from her late mother
- C.** Because the dog's presence is essential for navigation
- D.** Because taking care of the dog is required for her to keep it

2. What does the transition into the mountains symbolize for Gwen?

- A.** The physical challenges of the hike
- B.** The passage of time and change of seasons
- C.** The gradual increase in difficulty
- D.** A deeper connection with her father

3. How does Malcolm show his trust in Gwen during the trip?

- A.** By telling her personal stories
- B.** By allowing her to drive part of the trip
- C.** By letting her plan all the supply checkpoints
- D.** By letting her navigate the entire trail

4. What does Gwen realize while reviewing plants with Malcolm?

- A.** That she needs to study more to become competent
- B.** That she prefers capturing nature through her camera
- C.** That she knows more about birds than plants
- D.** That understanding nature is irrelevant to the hike

Written Response to Reading

What is the significance of the last photo Gwen takes on the trip? (*The last photo that Gwen takes is significant because...*)
