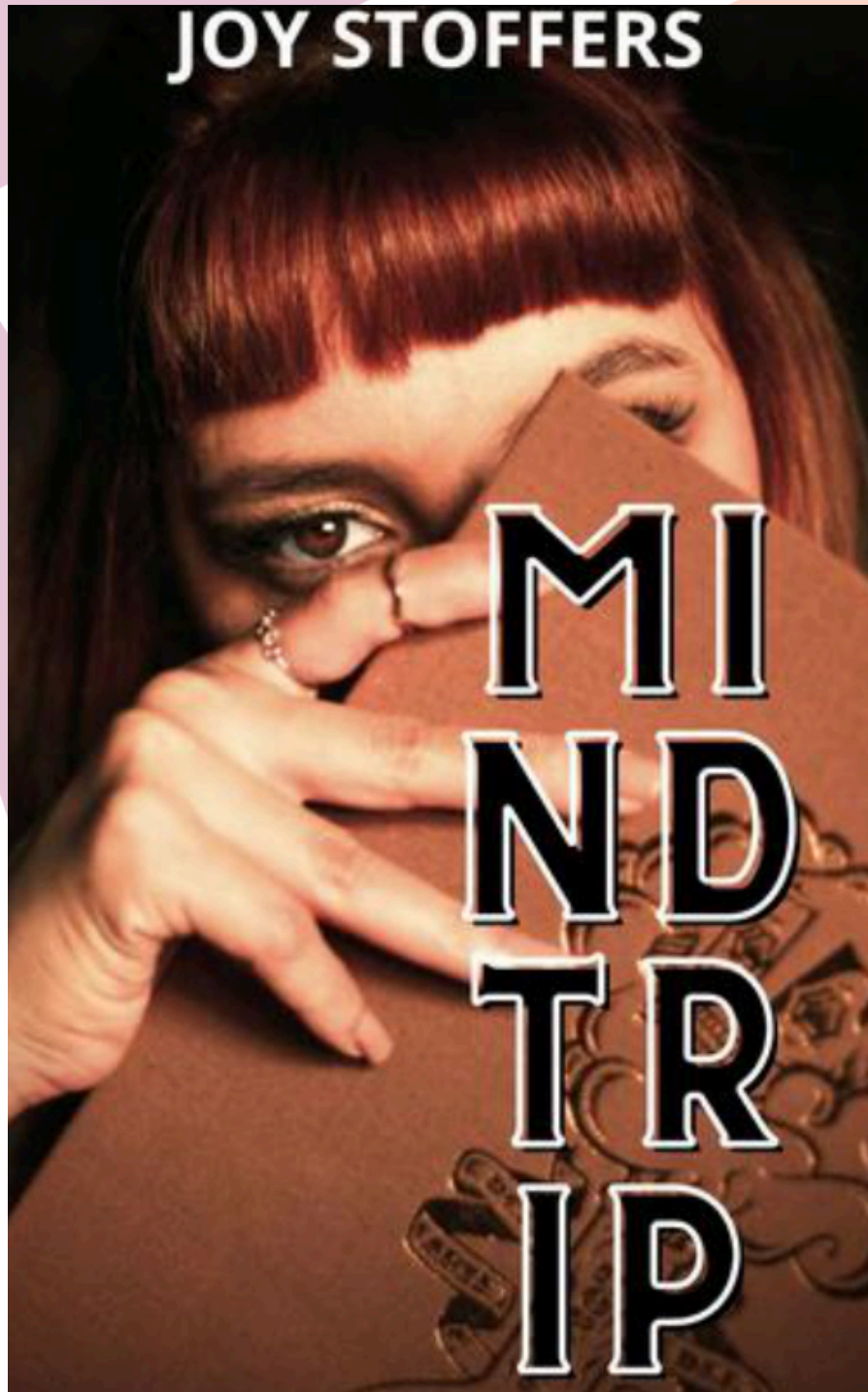


TEACHER RESOURCES & STUDENT ACTIVITIES



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

This short story is a modern-day adaptation of Charles Perrault's "Bluebeard." As a young woman moves away from her parents, home, and country at just eighteen years old, she is nervous but excited. Ben Holden will be the perfect husband! It isn't long, though, before dark secrets emerge.

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

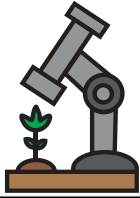


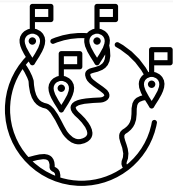


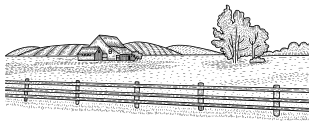
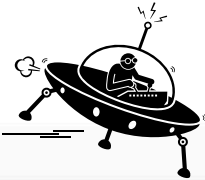
This is a ready-made student worksheet that can be given as a check for understanding after students have finished the book. You can also gamify the trivia questions, making this a small group activity. **Answers: 1. B; 2. A; 3. A; 4. B**



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



Mind Trip by Joy Stoffers

Word	Definition	Image	Example
anatomy (noun)	the science that studies the parts and structures of plants or animals		"I only took one anatomy class in school." (ch 1)
departed (verb)	left a location		"We met up the night before I departed for England." (ch 2)
scowled (verb)	frowned in a mad way		"Tessa scowled ." (ch 2)
international (adjective)	between two or more countries		"He wouldn't have to worry about the cost of an international phone call." (ch 2)
interfering (verb)	bothering someone or doing something without an invitation		"And the maids and housekeeper didn't want me interfering ." (ch 3)
grounds (noun)	a piece of land that has a special purpose; the land around a house or property		"She suggested I explore the grounds of Ben's estate." (ch 3)
outskirts (noun)	the edges of a piece of property		"But when I approached the outskirts of the cottage, I noticed a line of targets." (ch 3)
hovering (verb)	hanging in the air or area		"I moved the mouse, hovering over it." (ch 5)

Name: _____

Date: _____

Multiple Choice

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

1. Why did the protagonist agree to marry Ben at such a young age?

- A.** She had been in love with Ben for years before meeting him.
- B.** She was desperate to escape her overprotective parents and the run-down suburbs.
- C.** She wanted to become a surgeon like Ben.
- D.** Her parents pressured her into the marriage against her will.

2. How did Tessa's perspective on the protagonist's marriage differ from the protagonist's parents?

- A.** Tessa was skeptical of Ben and feared for her friend's safety, while the parents were charmed by Ben's wealth and status.
- B.** Tessa eagerly encouraged the marriage for financial security, but the parents disapproved.
- C.** Tessa and the parents both immediately trusted Ben, ignoring the protagonist's feelings.
- D.** Tessa and the parents both disapproved because Ben was not American.

3. What was the significance of Ben's master password, "raisdegilles," and its connection to the protagonist's discovery?

- A.** It was 'gillesderais' written backwards, which led her to discover Ben's connection to a notorious French serial killer and prompted her to investigate his journal.
- B.** It was the password to Nate's shooting range, which hinted at Ben's surprise gift.
- C.** It was her childhood nickname, representing Ben's affection.
- D.** It had no real significance and was a random phrase Ben liked.

4. How did the protagonist ultimately survive her confrontation with Ben?

- A.** Tessa arrived just in time and called the police to arrest Ben.
- B.** By using the skills she learned from Nate, she shot Ben with his own pistol and provided evidence to the police.
- C.** She escaped through a secret tunnel in the cottage.
- D.** The maids overpowered Ben after overhearing the struggle and rescued her.

Written Response to Reading

How did Ben's choice of password foreshadow the truth about his character? (*Ben's choice of password foreshadowed the truth about his character because...*)
