

D is for Dandelion

Assignment 20

- **Reading.** Students will be reading “The Tar Wolf” and “What Do You Have to Lose?” and answer questions on both.
- **Handwriting.** Complete Lesson 19 of the D is for Dandelion handwriting book.
- **Poetics.** Finish memorizing “The Stranger on the Sill,” stanzas 1–6.
- **Writing.** There is no writing assignment this week.
- **Dictation.**

This week students will learn to identify the simple predicate, called the *verb*. While the complete predicate completes the sentence, the verb expresses action—like *wipe*, *sing*, *change*, etc. Students should underline the verbs in the following dictation sentences.

EXERCISE A

1. The foreign sovereign has the leisure to read.
2. The weird group seized the government.
3. Scientists spoke about the drought and the environment.
4. The suspicious banker felt the counterfeit money.
5. Neither Mom nor Dad know Bob’s exact height.

EXERCISE B

1. The wolf ate some of the farmer’s geese.
2. The chameleon camouflaged itself.
3. Tom bought either a lizard or a snake.
4. Jim read a scarce book about invisible fairies.
5. He wrote a story about the government’s seizure of money.



Long-Term Assignment

Write a narrative of a recent experience. You can choose any of the topics that we have discussed in class. The essay will be due the last week in February. The narrative should be about one page more or less and should relate the experience chronologically—in order of time. You will be memorizing it and delivering it on Speech Day (date to be announced).