



ELL Virtual Learning

**Grade 6,7,8/Developing
Becoming a Better Reader**

April 23, 2020



Lesson: April 23, 2020

Objective/Learning Target:

Read a text and make predictions, identify opinions and make connections to the text.

Let's Get Started:

Watch this video about Discerning Opinion in a Text:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BTZjqOU_6Vc

Listen to “Coming In From the Cold” and read along.

The two boys knew it was time to go inside. Their fingers were almost turning blue from making so many snowballs. They had built two big snowmen and had an epic snowball fight. But now their bodies were tired and cold.

Frank and Jack were both home because school had been cancelled. The storm had brought more than three inches of new snow, and the cold temperatures had frozen much of the town’s streets and sidewalks. There was no way the school bus could make it up the hill to their house. So the brothers had been able to stay home. Frank was eleven and Jack was nine and they were very responsible. Their parents both had to go to work that day, so they made a decision to let the boys stay home alone. The Packers next door were home for the day, too, in case the boys needed any help.

The boys came in and immediately changed their clothes. It felt so much better to be dry and inside, but they both still needed to warm up. Frank suggested they make a fire. Jack thought that a fire was a bad idea. They had promised their parents to be safe while they were gone. Jack worried that a fire could grow big and get out of control. He sure did not want to burn the house down!

Finally, the boys agreed. A fire was not a good idea. Yet how could they warm up? Frank suggested turning up the heat. Jack suggested getting under some warm blankets. So that is what they did. Both boys followed their own advice.

Now answer some questions.



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Think about a time that you acted responsibly. How did it make you feel? How did it make other people feel?

Write 2-3 sentences about it. You can use the sentence starters to help you.

I acted responsibly when_____.

I felt _____.

My family was _____.

Share your sentences with someone in your family.
Ask them to tell you about a time they were
responsible.