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Reading: The Cricket in Times Square pp. 692-709 Date: _____

GENRE: Fantasy- is a story with invented characters, settings, or other elements that could not exist in real life.

VOCABULARY:

1. **cricket**- an insect, similar to a grasshopper, that makes a noise at night
2. **brook**- a small stream
3. **liverwurst**- a sausage made with ground liver
4. **forlornly**- sadly
5. **leery**- cautious; distrustful
6. **eavesdropping**- listening to other people talking without letting them know you are listening
7. **scuffling**- the sound of feet shuffling
8. **wistfully**-sweetly sad; thoughtfully
9. **jumble**- a confused mixture or condition; a mess
10. **logical**- reasonable; thoughtful
11. **acquaintance**- someone known or introduced
12. **scornfully**- angrily; disapprovingly

READING NOTES:

Context Clues- Paragraph Clues-can help you figure out the meaning of unfamiliar words by looking at the surrounding words in the paragraph.

Comprehension: Story Structure-refers to the way an author organizes the plot with various story elements, such as character and setting. Analyzing the structure of a story can help readers better understand the author's purpose and the story's theme.

The **theme** is the overall message or idea that the author wants readers to understand by reading the story. The theme may be stated directly, but many times it is implied, or stated indirectly.

You should go about identifying the theme of a story by thinking carefully about the character's actions. For example, they can ask themselves how the plot of the story is affected by what the characters say and do.

Summarize: To summarize means to tell about something in a brief and organized way.

A summary of a story includes the main idea and supporting details. Sometimes a story's main idea is not stated; it may be implied by the details.

Informational Text: Genre: Editorials p. 712

Are printed in newspapers and magazines;

Express opinions that may or may not be supported with facts;

may be written to convince readers to see things the same way the writer does.

Text Feature: Advertisement p. 713

An advertisement tries to persuade people to buy a product or service.

An advertisement contains text and pictures.

It gives important facts, details, or descriptions about the product or service.

It includes persuasive words and techniques and is designed to catch the reader's attention.

Content Vocabulary: "The Chance of a Lifetime"

A **colony** is a group of animals or plants of the same kind living in a particular place.

Bats use **echolocation**, bouncing sound waves off objects, to fly around.

Insecticides are chemicals used to kill insects.