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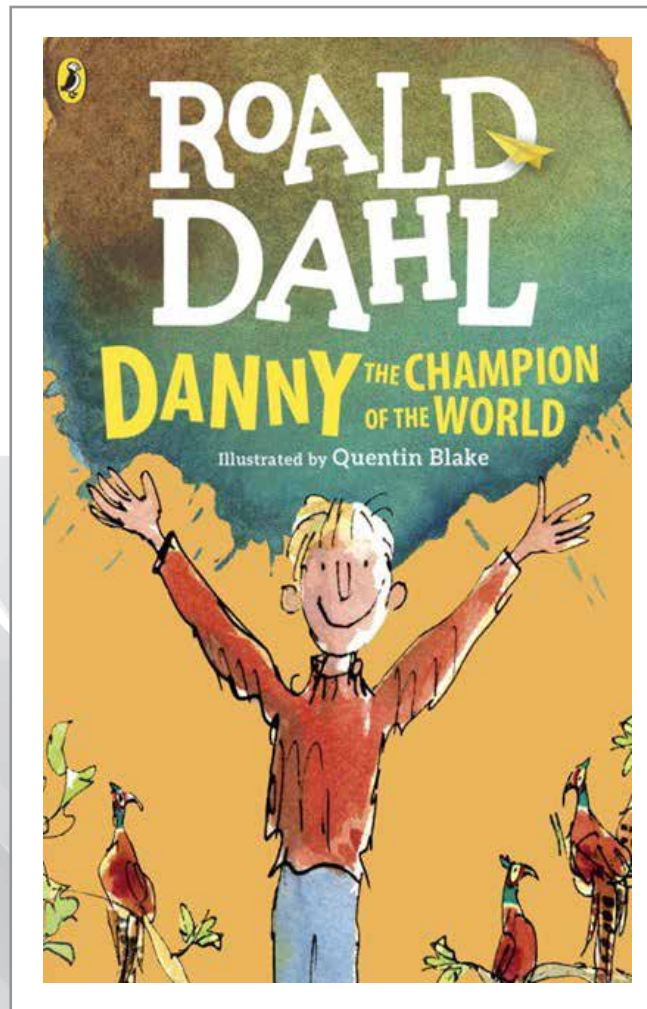
Danny the Champion of the World

Roald Dahl

READ, WRITE, THINK, DISCUSS AND CONNECT

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STUDENT PACKET

NOTE:

The trade book edition of the novel used to prepare this guide is found in the Novel Units catalog and on the Novel Units website. Using other editions may have varied page references.

Please note: We have assigned Interest Levels based on our knowledge of the themes and ideas of the books included in the Novel Units sets, however, please assess the appropriateness of this novel or trade book for the age level and maturity of your students prior to reading with them. You know your students best!

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13. What are Danny's fears as he and Father enter the woods?

14. Describe the pheasants that Danny sees in Hazell's Wood.

15. Why does Father advise Danny to hold his breath as a dog walks by?

16. With whom does Father converse on the public footpath?

Chapters 16–22, pp. 144–205

1. Why does the title of Chapter 16 indicate that it is the most important chapter of the novel?

2. What makes Father question whether their plan to capture birds will work?

3. How do Father and Danny get the birds out of the woods?

4. Who is driving the taxi?

5. What does father tell Charlie he plans to do with all the pheasants?

6. Where do they drive first before going home?

7. How does Mrs. Clipstone deliver the pheasants?

8. Why is Mrs. Clipstone running with the baby carriage?

9. How is Mr. Hazell dressed, as described in Chapter 20? Why?

10. Why does everyone become quiet as Sergeant Samways approaches?

11. Of what does Mr. Hazell accuse Father?

12. How does Father explain the birds' presence at his filling station?

13. What is Sergeant Samway's solution to the problem?

14. Does the idea of shooing the birds across the road please Mr. Hazell? Why or why not?

15. Where do the pheasants go?

16. What does Doc Spencer predict that Danny will be in the future?

17. How does Father manage to get six pheasants?

18. What is Father going to purchase at Wheeler's? Why?

19. What new adventure does Father suggest in the final chapter?

Name _____

caravan (2)	lavished (3)	engineers (4)	kerosene (6)
slightest (8)	brilliant (9)	phony (9)	intent (10)
grindstone (17)	quirks (25)		

Directions:

A. Write synonyms for the words *lavished*, *brilliant*, and *quirks*.

   lavished: _____

   brilliant: _____

   quirks: _____

B. Write antonyms for the words *phony* and *intent*.

   phony: _____

   intent: _____

C. Identify four nouns.

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D. What part of speech is the word *slightest* as it is used on page 8 of the novel?

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Directions: Write a newspaper article about the disappearance of 120 pheasants from Hazell's Wood.

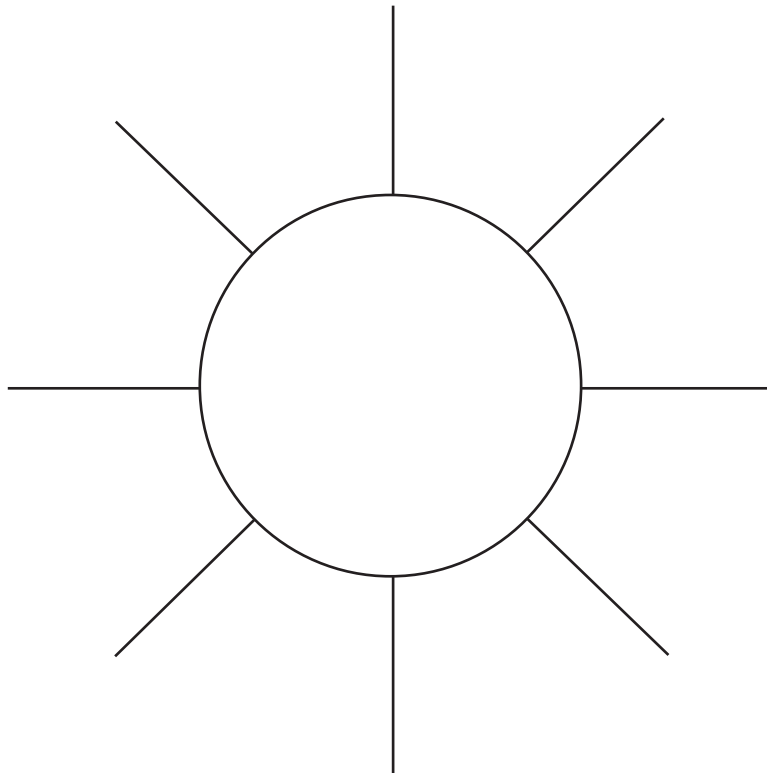## *The Daily News*

Wednesday, October 2 • Section A, Page 1

Pheasants Missing From Hazell's Wood!

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Thematic Analysis

Directions: Fill in the word web with examples of caring about others from *Danny the Champion of the World.* Then answer the question in each starred box.

★ What is the author's
main message?

★ What did you learn
from the book?