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"The Little Prince Reading Analysis Questions, pp.104-118"

Warm-up questions

- 1. Have you ever looked up at the stars and the night sky? Why do people like to watch the stars?
- 2. Is it important to own things? Why?

Comprehension and discussion questions

- 1. Why does the little prince say "this man thinks in the same way as the drunkard" about the businessman? (108)
- 2. What do you think about the businessman's statement: "when you find a diamond that no one owns, it is yours. When you find an island that no one owns, it is yours. When you are the first person to have an idea, you own it. And I, I own the stars because nobody else ever thought of owning them"? (108)
- 3. What do you think about the little prince's interpretation of the lamplighter? "That lamplighter would be looked down on by everyone else I have met -- the king, the vain man, the drunkard, and the businessman. However, he is the only one who does not seem silly to me. Maybe that is because he is the only one who is thinking of something other than himself" (118).

Metaphor and symbolism

What metaphors and/or symbolism did you identify in the text?

| Textual object | Metaphorical and/or symbolic meaning |
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| Stars | |
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Subjects and themes

Identify some subjects and themes in the story.

| Subjects | Themes |
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| Ownership | |
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| Use(fulness) | |
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| (Following) orders | |
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Impressions (practice write)

Practice writing about one THEME or METAPHOR in the text. Explain the author's use of the theme or metaphor and reasons for why he uses it. Then give specific examples from the text, including direct quotations, as evidence to support your argument.