

TEACHER RESOURCES & STUDENT ACTIVITIES

"All the elements of a gripping teen tale: love, loss, self-discovery, and a heaping scoop of Star Wars references."

5 STEPS TO WIN HER HEART



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How to Use Storyshares Teacher Resources & Student Activities

Pre-Reading

Share **background information**.

Introduce the **vocabulary** to the students. Discuss meanings. Click here for an **instructional routine** for vocabulary.

Reading

Share the written response to reading prompt ahead of time as the **focus for reading**.

Encourage students to **read a chapter** of the text independently or in pairs.

After Reading

Students can complete the **trivia worksheet** or make it into a game! Either way, make time to review answers.

Students complete the **written response to reading** prompt.

Background Information

Mateo's best friend Kat Nguyen breaks up with him, and he's far from over it. He has to win her back, but how? The 1950s book *5 Steps to Win Her Heart* just might be the answer he's looking for. Will the Force be with him? Or will it be with his nemesis—Kat's new love interest—Josh Fowler?

Visual Vocabulary

This vocabulary guide was created with English language learners in mind. This table flags Tier 2 vocabulary words in every chapter. This guide includes the definitions in context, as well as images and examples from the text.

Trivia Questions





This is a ready-made student worksheet that can be given as a check for understanding after students have finished the book. You can also gamify the trivia questions, making this a small group activity. **Answers: 1. B; 2. A; 3. B; 4. A; 5. C**



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Word	Definition	Image	Example
tackle (verb)	to throw someone to the ground		She never cried when she got tackled . (ch 1)
skim (verb)	to glance through in a hurry or without attention		On the way to class, I skim through Mr. Y's book. (ch 2)
shrink (verb)	to make smaller		Trey shrinks down like he just saw Darth Vader. (ch 3)
yank (verb)	to pull or take out suddenly; jerk		Kat yanks his arm backward. (ch 4)

Name: _____ Date: _____

Multiple Choice

Read the questions carefully. Choose the answer that fits the question best.

1. Why does Josh make fun of Mateo?

- A. He has a weird haircut.
- B. He is short.
- C. His laugh is funny.

2. Diego describes Mateo as ____

- A. A "doormat"
- B. A "shorty"
- C. A "cool dude"

3. What does Trey think Mateo should do to win Kat?

- A. Sing her a song
- B. Dress like Anakin
- C. Dress like Han Solo

4. Mateo's classmates laugh at him when they see he is bald. How does Kat react?

- A. She defends Mateo.
- B. She laughs.
- C. She ignores Mateo.

5. In Star Wars, red represents the dark side, and blue represents the light side. What color are Josh and Mateo's jerseys?

- A. They both wear blue.
- B. Josh wears blue. Mateo wears red.
- C. Mateo wears blue. Josh wears red.

Written Response to Reading

How does Mateo win Kat back in the end? (*Mateo wins Kat back by...*)
