

Hot Celebrity Biographies

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Activities for teaching the five curriculum areas: Reading/Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, and the Arts can be found in this teacher's guide. Students will practice vocabulary words found in the book and will enjoy working on cross-curricular activities related to the subjects enjoyed by the celebrity featured in the biography.

Guided Reading Level: R

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Hilary Duff

for
Hilary Duff: Life in the Spotlight

Young adults enjoy reading about fictional characters and real people who are about their age or a little older. They like to make comparisons between that person's life and their own, and get ideas about how to make decisions as they grow to adulthood. Using bright, engaging color photographs, interesting text, and quotes from the subject, this book chronicles the life of Hilary Duff, singer and actress. Through perseverance and hard work, she has created a career for herself that doesn't compromise her principles. She is a role model for young women of all ages.

Hilary Duff's positive image is important to her, and seemingly to her continued success in television, movies, and music. Wise decisions throughout her teen and young adult years have ensured that her reputation has remained one to be proud of.

Discuss with the students how the decisions they make on a daily basis can affect them in both the short- and long term. Ask students:

- What types of choices might a typical boy or girl of your age have to make?
- Why might a person like Hilary Duff have tougher decisions to make than you do?
- What are ways you can help yourself make wise decisions?

Time Line

Review the timeline on page 44 and 45 with the students. Invite the students to tell how old Hilary is at each of these important milestones in her life. Have the students copy the timeline onto a sheet of paper and add additional years. Then have them add milestones about their own life (e.g., their first soccer team, piano recital, when a sibling was born, starting school, visiting another state).

Glossary

Review the glossary terms on page 47. Encourage the students to turn to the glossary as they encounter these words in the text. Ask the students to incorporate these words into their vocabulary as much as they are able.

To help the students use and learn the new words in the glossary, encourage them to do one or more of the following vocabulary-building activities:

- *Make a crossword puzzle.* Provide graph paper for students to plan out their puzzle. As time permits, have students exchange their puzzles with a partner.
- *Make a word search.* Provide graph paper for students to hide words across, up and down, and diagonally.
- *Make connections.* Have the students list each word and provide some connections to prior knowledge (e.g., nomination: I know that candidates get nominated to run for President. I see now that people can be nominated for other things too.)
- *Sort the words.* Have students find commonalities among the words (multiple meaning words, compound words, words pronounced differently than they look) and sort them accordingly. Challenge the students to find just two or just three categories to sort into.

Hilary Duff

Activities The Five Curriculum Activities

SAFETY WARNING: Before any activity, make sure your students do not have any allergies to items that you might use. Never use anything which is sharp or may cut a student. Do not use anything too hot or cold that might injure any student. Always have an adult supervise all activities to ensure the safety of your students and provide an appropriate setting, such as a gym or outdoor space, for physical activities

Reading/Language Arts activity

Hilary Duff has had an exciting life. She sings, she acts, she has won awards, and she does charity work for charitable organizations. Her upbeat personality, talent, hard work, and positive image have contributed to her success.

Think of Hilary Duff's personality traits. Name five of them and tell how each has helped propel her to stardom and success in the entertainment business.

Math Activity

Solve this math problem:

A student spends $\frac{1}{3}$ of her day sleeping, $\frac{1}{4}$ of her day at school, $\frac{1}{6}$ of her day at dancing lessons, and $\frac{1}{12}$ of her day with her family. What fractional part of her day is left? How many hours per day does she have available to spend at a part-time job?

Make your own problem with fractions. Trade with a classmate to solve each other's problems.

Science Activity

Hilary Duff's 2003 album is called *Metamorphosis*. What is metamorphosis in the natural world? Name some members of the animal kingdom that go through this change. Why do you think Hilary Duff chose this name for her album?

Social Studies Activity

Hilary Duff supports a number of worthwhile and interesting charities. Turn to page 38 in the book to review their names and what each does. Choose one of the charities to research. Find out additional information about the charity's goals and who or what it helps. Create a brochure by folding a piece of paper into thirds. Then highlight what you have learned about the charity.

Arts Activity

Hilary Duff's face has been on the cover of many national magazines, including *Seventeen*, *Teen*, *Vanity Fair*, and *Self*. What magazine would you like to be on the cover of? Why would you choose that magazine?

Draw a picture of yourself on the cover of a magazine. Add some article titles, just like an actual magazine cover.

Math Answer:

Fractional Part of Day	Activity	Hours
$\frac{1}{3}$	sleeping	$24/3 = 8$
$\frac{1}{4}$	school	$24/4 = 6$
$\frac{1}{6}$	dance	$24/6 = 4$
$\frac{1}{12}$	with family	$24/12 = 2$ (total = 20)
		4 hours are left for a job

Multiple Meaning Words

Some words have more than one meaning. Read each sentence below and look at the underlined word. Think about how it is being used. Use a dictionary to find this meaning of the word and another meaning. Then write a sentence using another meaning of the word.

1. In 1997, Hilary landed her first job. _____

2. When the show debuted in January 2001, it quickly became a big hit. _____

3. “Sometimes I’ll say, ‘Oh, I’m just hanging out with my friends being normal right now, so thanks for watching the show.’” . _____

4. Since Duff is very athletic, she had fun going to “boot camp” to learn how cadets train.

5. Disney and the Duffs could not agree on a new contract.

6. In *The Perfect Man*, Duff played a sweet but scheming daughter who matches up her lovelorn mother with the ideal mate. . _____

7. “I’ve logged hundreds of hours playing *The Sims* games, so I jumped at the chance to be in *The Sims 2 Pets*,” Duff mentioned on the game’s Web site. _____

8. Besides lending her famous face to the dolls line, Duff also starred in Barbie® TV ads, created Barbie outfits, and hosted a Barbie fashion show. . _____

9. One situation that Duff could not just shake off was a man stalking her. _____

10. It was so different from the types of roles she’s been known for, and the type of person she is.

