

Let's start our Book Diary!

① Create a cover page

- Make sure to include the **book title**, the **author's name**, **your name** and the **school year**.
- Design the rest of the first page of your diary the way you want. *Let your creativity shine!*



② Portraits of the main characters

- Read the rest of the first chapter.
- Scan it afterwards for **physical descriptions**.
- **Sketch down** the described characters + give them their **name**.
- Continue to write down **important facts & characteristics** + **colour in** your sketches as you go on reading and discover new hints.
- **Leave room** in your diary for additional characters you will encounter later in the book.



Name:

Main facts & characteristics:

- e.g. 54 years old
- mother of the main character
- scared of the dark
- ...

③ Create a Vocabulary Guide

- Make a **column** (such as the example on the right side) with the **three categories**:
vocabulary - sentence - synonym/meaning/
- **Fill in** the new vocabulary you find while reading.
Also, write down the sentence where the word appears + **search for** the English meaning or synonyms in your dictionary/reliable internet sites.
- **Leave enough space** for additional vocabulary you will encounter during the rest of the book.

vocabulary	example sentence	synonyms/ meaning
cancer	Depression is not a side effect of cancer.	serious disease

④ Writing your first diary entry (short story)

- Read the second chapter.
Remember to continue the **character-portraits + vocabulary guide**.
- Read the last few sentences of the chapter again. How do you think the story will continue? **Write your own chapter with around 250 words** (do not read Chapter 3 before writing).

