

The Westing Game Stems List

Day 1 – Blurb

When the blurb said _____, I was thinking _____. This helps me understand _____.

Day 2 – Genre

When the chart said _____, I made a prediction. I think _____.

Day 3 – Outside Text, Parts 1 & 2

When the article said _____, I was thinking this was important because _____.

Day 4 – Setting

When the book said _____, I thought this was an important detail because _____.

Day 5 – Important Events

When the book said _____, I was thinking this was important because _____.

Day 6 – Important Events

When the book said _____, I was thinking this was important because _____.

Day 7 – Important Character

When the book said _____, I was thinking this was important because _____.

This helps me understand _____.

Day 8 – Important Events

When the book said _____, I was thinking this was important because _____.

Day 9 – Character List

When the book said _____, I thought this was an important detail because _____.

This helps me understand _____.

Day 10 – Character List

When the book said _____, I thought this was an important detail because _____.

This helps me understand _____.

Day 11 – Important Events

When the book said _____, I was thinking this was important because _____.

Day 13 – Outside Text

When the article said _____, I was thinking this was important because _____.

Day 14 – Infer Character Traits

When the book said _____, I was thinking that other people think _____.

This helps me understand _____.

Day 15 – Cause and Effect

When the book said _____, I thought this event was part of a chain of events. I think _____.

Day 16 – Outside Text

When the article said _____, I was thinking this was important because _____ .
This makes me think _____ .

Day 17 – Character List

When the book said _____, I thought this was an important detail because _____ .
This helps me understand _____ .

Day 18 – Character List

When the book said _____, I thought this was an important detail because _____ .
This helps me understand _____ .

Day 19 – Cause and Effect

When the book said _____, I thought this event was part of a chain of events. I think _____ .

Day 20 – Author’s Craft

When Sam Westing’s will said _____, I thought the author was trying to tell me _____ .
This helps me understand _____ .

Day 21 – Lines of Thinking

One piece of evidence that supports this message is _____. This makes me think _____ .

Day 22 – Line of Thinking

When the book said _____, I thought this supported the theme _____ because _____ .

Day 23 – Collect Evidence

When the book said _____, I thought this was an important piece of evidence. This helps me understand _____ .

Day 24 – Collect Evidence

When the book said _____, I thought this was an important piece of evidence. This helps me understand _____ .

Day 25 – Turning Point

When the book said _____, I thought this was an important piece of evidence. This makes me think _____ .

Day 26 – Outside Text

When the video said _____, I was thinking this was important because _____ .
This makes me think _____ .

Day 28 – Use the Turning Point to Make Predictions

When the book said _____, I made a prediction. I was thinking _____ .

Day 29 – Read-In

When the book said _____, I was thinking _____ because _____ .

Day 31 – Outside Text

When the article said _____, I was thinking this was important because _____ .