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How to Use This Book

Reading Gate 150 is a three-book series designed to provide guided reading practice for low-intermediate-level readers. The series uses carefully chosen fiction and non-fiction texts that will engage students' attention. The objective of the series is to encourage students to read for both pleasure and study purposes while developing their vocabulary, syntax, reading fluency, and reading comprehension. Students who complete the *Reading Gate 150* series will greatly improve their reading skills.

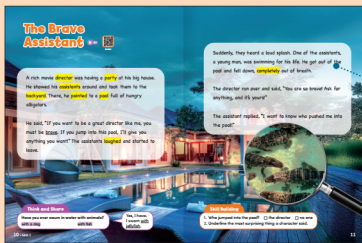


Read and Check

The first page of every unit uses interesting photographs and thought-provoking questions to introduce the unit topic. It also helps students relate the unit topic to their own background knowledge and life experiences. This motivates students and makes it easier for them to understand the reading passage.

New Words

The activities on this page introduce eight new vocabulary words that appear in the reading passage. The use of a picture-dictionary style allows students to create a meaningful connection to the meaning of each written English word—without needing to use their native languages. The target words for each unit are then practiced through various activity types.



Reading

Spread over two pages, the reading passage features highlighted vocabulary words to support students' recall of the new words within the unit. Full-spread photographs or illustrations provide additional support for comprehension of the passage content. The first page of each reading features a **Think and Share** question to promote critical thinking. A **Skill Building** activity on the second page encourages students to more closely examine the reading.

Unit

1

The Brave Assistant



Read and Check ✓

- Have you ever visited a movie set or theater?
 Yes No
- Which job would you enjoy doing for a movie?
 actor/actress camera person assistant
 sound engineer director makeup artist

New Words

A Listen and repeat.



1 director *n.*



2 party *n.*



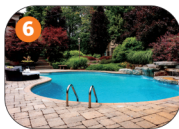
3 assistant *n.*



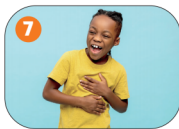
4 backyard *n.*



5 point *v.*



6 pool *n.*



7 laugh *v.*



8 completely *adv.*

B Match the meanings with the correct words.

- | | | |
|---|---|---------------|
| 1 a place with water, for swimming | • | a. party |
| 2 to show where to look by using one finger | • | b. point |
| 3 a time to enjoy with family or friends | • | c. completely |
| 4 all; fully | • | d. pool |

C Circle the correct words.

- A good (assistant / party) can make your job easier.
- It is not polite to (laugh / leave) at people.
- The actors in a movie must listen to the (director / pool).
- We have a small vegetable garden in our (alligator / backyard).

The Brave Assistant



A rich movie **director** was having a **party** at his big house. He showed his **assistants** around and took them to the **backyard**. There, he **pointed** to a **pool** full of hungry alligators.

He said, "If you want to be a great director like me, you must be **brave**. If you jump into this pool, I'll give you anything you want!" The assistants **laughed** and started to leave.

Think and Share

Have you ever swum in water with animals?

with a dog

with fish

Yes, I have.
I swam with
jellyfish.

Suddenly, they heard a loud splash. One of the assistants, a young man, was swimming for his life. He got out of the pool and fell down, **completely** out of breath.

The director ran over and said, "You are so brave! Ask for anything, and it's yours!"

The assistant replied, "I want to know who pushed me into the pool!"







Skill Building



1. Who jumped into the pool? the director no one
2. Underline the most surprising thing a character said.

Comprehension



A Choose the best answers.

-  1 **Main Idea** What is the passage about?
- a. the brave director b. a mean trick c. a movie party
-  2 **Detail** The pool was full of hungry _____.
- a. alligators b. splashes c. assistants
-  3 **Detail** Why did the assistant go into the pool?
- a. He wanted to show how brave he was.
b. He wanted to swim with the alligators.
c. Someone pushed him in.
-  4 **Vocabulary** What does the word *brave* mean?
- a. having money
b. having courage
c. having a creative mind

B Circle **True** or **False**.

-  1 The assistant jumped into the pool because he wanted a reward. True False
-  2 The director thought the assistant was brave for jumping in. True False

C Complete the sentences.

-  1 The _____ was having a big party at his house.
-  2 The young assistant was completely out of _____ after getting out of the pool.

Graphic Organizer



Story Elements Complete the graphic organizer.



assistants alligators brave asked pushed backyard

Characters

- the rich movie director
- the ¹ _____

Setting

- a big house with a ² _____
- a pool full of hungry ³ _____

The Conflict

- The director said, "If you are ⁴ _____ , jump into the pool."
- The assistant ⁵ _____ , "Who ⁶ _____ me in?"

Summary



Complete the summary.



A director held a party ¹ _____ . He showed them a pool ² _____ and said, "If ³ _____ , jump into the pool." One assistant went into the pool ⁴ _____ ! When he got out, he asked, "Who ⁵ _____ into the pool?"

for his assistants
with a splash

full of alligators
you are brave

pushed me