

Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will have a deeper understanding of the themes and characters in The Magician's Nephew by C.S. Lewis.

Materials and Prep

- Copy of The Magician's Nephew by C.S. Lewis
- Paper and pen for notes
- Access to a computer for research

No prior knowledge needed, just bring your curiosity and imagination!

Activities

- **Character Analysis:** Choose a character from the book and create a character profile detailing their traits, motivations, and how they contribute to the story.
- **Theme Exploration:** Identify a theme in the book (e.g., friendship, bravery) and find specific examples from the text that support this theme. Write a short paragraph explaining how this theme is developed throughout the story.
- **Creative Writing:** Imagine you are a character in The Magician's Nephew. Write a journal entry from their perspective describing a key event from the book.

Talking Points

- **Introduction to the Book:** "The Magician's Nephew is a prequel to The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe, and it explores the origin of Narnia and the magical adventures of Digory and Polly."
- **Themes in the Book:** "One of the key themes in the book is the temptation of power and the consequences of our choices. As we see with Uncle Andrew and Jadis, power can corrupt if not used wisely."
- **Character Development:** "Digory Kirke undergoes significant character development throughout the story, learning important lessons about responsibility and the value of doing what is right, even when it is difficult."
- **Symbolism in the Book:** "Pay attention to the symbolism of the magical rings and the garden in the story. These elements hold deeper meanings that contribute to the overall themes of the book."