## **Objective**

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to write a creative story using elements from the book "Zoey and Sassafras: Dragons and Marshmallows".

## **Materials and Prep**

- Copy of the book "Zoey and Sassafras: Dragons and Marshmallows"
- Paper
- Pencils or crayons

## **Activities**

- 1. Read aloud: Start by reading the book "Zoey and Sassafras: Dragons and Marshmallows" together. Pay attention to the characters, setting, and events in the story.
- 2. Character creation: Choose one of the dragons from the book and draw a picture of it. Give the dragon a name and write a short description about its appearance and personality.
- 3. Setting exploration: Think about the different places mentioned in the book where the dragons and other creatures live. Draw one of these settings and write a few sentences about what it looks like and what creatures might be found there.
- 4. Story creation: Using the dragon character and setting you have created, write a short story that involves an adventure or problem. Include a beginning, middle, and end. Be creative and have fun!

## First Grade Talking Points

- "Today, we are going to learn about writing stories using the book 'Zoey and Sassafras: Dragons and Marshmallows'."
- "We will start by reading the book together and paying attention to the characters, setting, and events in the story."
- "After that, we will create our own dragon characters by drawing a picture and writing a description about them."
- "Next, we will explore the different settings mentioned in the book and draw one of them. We
  will also write a few sentences about what it looks like and what creatures might be found
  there."
- "Finally, we will use our dragon character and setting to write a short story. We will make sure to include a beginning, middle, and end."