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Stages	Procedure	Time
Objectives	 To practice guessing the meaning in context through identifying the parts of speech scanning skills 	
Warmer	 Teacher shows movie posters of famous horror movies and asks What is the movie genre? Do you like this genre? Which is your favourite horror movie? Why? Who are the famous authors of this genre? Teacher leads into the topic of the day. 	5 mins
Pre-reading	 Teacher arranges the students into small groups. Teacher quickly reviews how to identify nouns and adjectives. Teacher distributes Task 1. In small groups, students work on Task 1. Teacher checks answer. 	12 mins
While-Reading	 Teacher distributes Task 2. In small groups, students discuss and complete Task 2. Teacher checks answer. 	10 mins
Post-reading	 Teacher distributes Task 3. Teacher asks students to extract, organize, and fill in information regarding the stories mentioned in the article. In small groups, students complete Task 3. Teacher checks and discusses the answer. 	8 mins
Wrap	 Teacher does a concept check of the lesson by asking Which horror movies you know were adapted from books? Would you rather read Shirley Jackson's stories or watch the films adapted from her books? 	5 mins

TASK 1

The words in the box, which are found in the article, are related to the themes of horror and mystery. Identify the part of speech of each word as it is used in the article and organize them in the boxes below.

bizarre	unsettling	creepy	dark
suspense	fears	introverted	witchcraft
shocking	fiction	supernatural	insanity
ghosts	fame	inspiration	mystery
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Adjectives

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TASK 2

Answer True (T) or False (F) to the statements below.

Statements	T/F	
 Shirley Jackson was known as the queen of horror stories because she live and wrote about her horrific life. 	ed	
2. Jackson wrote six novels, a memoir, and approximately 200 short stories.		
3. Jackson was born in New York, California.		
4. The New Yorker published <i>The Lottery</i> in 1948.		
5. The New Yorker is a newspaper that only publishes non-fiction such as ne reports and opinion pieces.	ews	
6. Jackson is a writer and a witch.		
7. Jackson wrote <i>The Haunting of Hill House</i> because she believed in ghosts.		
8. Jackson's marital problems led to various health ailments.		
9. We Have Always Lived in the Castle was published after she passed away.		
10. Jackson died in her home which is near Syracuse University in New York.		

TASK 3

Below are book information cards of three stories written by Shirley Jackson which are mentioned in the article. Extract the relevant information and fill them in the blanks. Some answers are already provided as an example. If the information is not mentioned in the article, fill in <u>'Not stated'</u>.

Story #1	Story #2	
Story Title: Year published: Publisher: <u>The New Yorker</u> Setting: <u>In a village</u> Synopsis: <u>The story is about</u> Adaptation:	Story Title: <u>The Haunting of</u> <u>Hill House</u> Year published: Publisher: <u>Not stated</u> Setting: Synopsis: Adaptation: <u>A Netflix television</u> <u>series</u>	
Story #3		
Story Title:		
Year published: Publisher: <u>Not stated</u> Setting:		
Synopsis: <u>The story is about a</u> <u>mystery surrounding two sisters.</u> Adaptation:		

ANSWERS

Task 1

<u>Nouns</u>

- 1. inspiration
- 2. suspense
- 3. fears
- 4. witchcraft
- 5. fiction
- 6. supernatural
- 7. insanity
- 8. ghosts
- 9. fame
- 10. mystery

Adjectives

- 1. bizarre
- 2. unsettling
- 3. creepy
- 4. dark
- 5. introverted
- 6. shocking

Task 2

- 1. F
- 2. F
- 3. F
- 4. T
- 5. F
- 6. T
- 7. F
- 8. T
- 9. F
- 10. F

Task 3

Story #1

Story Title: <u>The Lottery</u>

Year published: <u>1948</u>

Publisher: The New Yorker

Setting: In a village

Synopsis: The story is about a ritual that leads to a shocking end.

Adaptation: Short film

<u>Story #2</u>

Story Title: The Haunting of Hill House

Year published: Not stated

Publisher: Not stated

Setting: In a haunted house

Synopsis: The story is about the characters in a haunted house who slowly becomes mad.

Adaptation: A Netflix television series

<u>Story #3</u>

Story Title: We Have Always Lived in the Castle

Year published: <u>1962</u>

Publisher: Not stated

Setting: Not stated ("Castle" may be a metaphor)

Synopsis: The story is about a mystery surrounding two sisters.

Adaptation: Not stated