

PACE

Sample Lesson Plan

Billy and Blaze

by C.W. Anderson

FRIENDSHIP

**“Walking with a friend in the dark is better than walking alone in the light.”
~ Helen Keller**



DEFINITION: Friendship: (*noun*) the condition of being friends; a feeling of warmth toward another; giving comfort or support to another

Adjective: friendly
Synonyms: brotherhood; companionship; alliance
Antonyms: hatred; hostility; enmity



February Book of the Month: *Billy and Blaze* by C.W. Anderson Grades K-2

I. Reading Comprehension: Answer the following questions in the spaces below (or out loud):

1. Who are the three friends in this book?

2. What does Billy's new pony look like?

3. Where does Rex sleep at night?

4. When does Billy receive Blaze?

5. Why does Blaze always come when Billy calls him?

6. How does Blaze get his name?

V. Discussion:

Billy and Blaze & Friendship

1. How does Billy act as a friend to Blaze?
2. How does Billy act as a friend to Rex?
3. What does Billy have in common with his animal friends?
4. Why do you think Billy, Blaze, and Rex become such good friends?
5. What do Billy and Blaze do to prepare for the horse competition?

VI. Activities:

Complete one or both of the below activities:

1. Draw a picture of Blaze or Rex.
2. If time allows, go to the library and read some of the other books in the *Billy and Blaze* series.

ANSWER KEY

I. Reading Comprehension

1. They are Billy, Blaze, and Rex.
2. He is a bay horse with four white feet and a white nose with a white streak.
3. Rex sleeps with Blaze in the stable.
4. Billy receives Blaze on his birthday.
5. He knows that there will be food or special attention, like petting, if he comes.
6. Billy named him "Blaze" because he had a white stripe down his face.

II. Matching

1. A
2. F
3. D
4. B
5. E
6. C

III. Sequencing

3, 1, 2, 5, 4

IV. Summarize (Answers will vary)

Billy loves horses and receives one for his birthday. He names him Blaze because he has a white stripe on his nose like a bolt of lightning. Billy and Blaze take lots of rides in the woods and one day come upon a dog that has an injured paw from an animal trap. Billy removes the paw from the trap and the dog comes home to live with him. Billy names him Rex and the three of them become great friends. They enter a horse-jumping race and win the silver cup.

V. *Billy and Blaze & Friendship*

1. Billy washes, feeds, and rides Blaze. He takes good care of him.
2. Billy finds Rex when he is injured in the woods. Billy removes the dog's paw from the animal trap and brings him home to care for him.
3. They all enjoy being outdoors, riding, jumping, and galloping through the woods.
4. They enjoy similar things and Billy takes good care of the animals, so they appreciate him.
5. They practice jumping over different things like fallen trees and fences.