

Dear Host,

It is time for another meeting of The Harry Potter Reading Club! Download these four exciting new activities at **scholastic.com/hpreadingclub**.









Activity 1: Transform Yourself

For this creative writing exercise, members will think about what Polyjuice Potion is and how it is used in *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*.

Ask members to imagine that they could transform themselves into anyone they want in the world. Then, have them work independently to write a short essay about the experience.

Prepare ahead:

- 1) Photocopy one worksheet per member.
- 2) Have pens or pencils on hand.

During the activity:

- 1) Discuss the topic and allow members time to brainstorm ideas before they begin the creative writing activity.
- 2) Afterwards, invite club members to share their essays with the group.

Activity 2: Make Your Own Earmuffs

In *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*, Herbology students must wear earmuffs to protect themselves from the fatal cry of the Mandrake. For this craft activity, club members will create their own protective ear gear!

Prepare ahead:

- 1) Photocopy one worksheet per member.
- 2) Collect earmuff-making supplies for each club member: two or three extra-thick pipe cleaners, one small ball of yarn, and scissors.
- 3) Read the instructions on the Make Your Own Earmuffs worksheet ahead of time and be sure you understand the directions.

During the activity:

- 1) Hand out two or three pipe cleaners and one small ball of yarn to each club member.
- 2) Explain the instructions and offer help to anyone who needs it.
- 3) Encourage them to wear their earmuffs for the rest of the club meeting.

Activity 3: Path to the Chamber of Secrets

For this fun maze, club members will have to help Harry find his way to the Chamber of Secrets after he leaves Ron and Professor Lockhart.

Prepare ahead:

- 1) Photocopy one worksheet per member.
- 2) Have pens or pencils on hand.

During the activity:

- $\label{eq:club} 1) \ Have \ club \ members \ work \ individually \ to \ solve \ the \ puzzle.$
- 2) If members need help, use the provided answer key.

Activity 4: Chamber of Secrets Trivia Tournament

For this activity, club members will get a chance to show off just how much they know about *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*.

Prepare ahead:

- 1) Print out four copies of the Chamber of Secrets Trivia Tournament (A) game board.
- 2) Print out one copy of the Chamber of Secrets Trivia Tournament (B) host question sheet.
- 3) You might want to provide a bell or some sort of "buzzer" for each team.

During the activity:

- 1) Have club members divide into three teams.
- 2) Give each team one copy of the Chamber of Secrets Trivia Tournament (A) game board, which features categories and point values.
- 3) Keep one copy each of the Chamber of Secrets Trivia Tournament (A) game board and the Chamber of Secrets Trivia Tournament (B) host question sheet for yourself.
- 4) Explain the rules to the group.



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Rules:

- 1. Decide which team goes first and ask them to select a category and point value.
- 2. Read the question that corresponds to the selected category and point value. (If the team cannot provide the correct response, you may provide a hint and/or allow the other teams a chance to "buzz" in to answer.) The team that answers the question correctly gets to choose the next category and point value.
- 3. After each question is read, club members will need to hit their "buzzers" in order to answer. The first team to "buzz" in will get the first chance to answer the question.
- 4. After each question is answered, cross off the corresponding box on your copy of the Chamber of Secrets Trivia Tournament (A) game board.
- 5. Be sure to keep track of each team's score.
- 6. Continue to play until all of the game board boxes have been eliminated.

SUMMER BONUS TRIVIA QUESTION:

What does Lucius Malfoy give Dobby, inadvertently setting him free?

Answer: A Sock



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Yours sincerely,

The Harry Potter Reading Club