

Diversity and community - those are the traits that make up the Gibb Street garden in Paul Fleischman's *Seedfolks*. The descriptions of the characters, their backgrounds and what they bring to the garden are so vivid; the reader can picture them in his or her mind. Can you?

THE TASK:

DRAW

- Draw a picture of the Gibb Street garden in full bloom. Using your *Seedfolks* chapter packets, place each person in the garden. What did that person plant? Where do you think that plot is located? What do the plants look like? Use colored pencils to illustrate each section of the garden, each character in it and anything else you feel is necessary to show the Gibb Street garden as it appears in your mind.

WRITE

- Choose **one** character from the novel who made the biggest difference in the lives of the gardeners. Describe the character, what he or she brings to the garden, and tell why the garden would not have been the same without him or her.



Be sure to include:



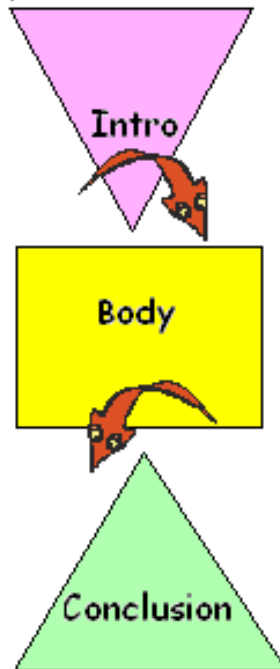
- the author's name and the title of the novel, properly punctuated
- specific details from the book to support your ideas
- new vocabulary from the novel
- varied sentence structure that makes your writing interesting

Put your fingerprints in your writing by using descriptive language and voice.

Your essay will consist of **three** organized paragraphs:

DUE
Picture
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DUE
Packet
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Draft
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Type -
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DUE
Paper
10/31

Introduction: Paragraph 1

General statement(s) about people and how they can make a difference:





General statements about this novel and people making a difference; include title and author (2 sentences)



One person who made the most important difference in the garden was:

Introduction: Paragraph 1

General statement(s) about people and how they can make a difference:

People can make a difference in unexpected ways.

Even the smallest action can make a big difference.

General statements about this novel and people making a difference; include title and author (2 sentences)

In Paul Fleischman's Seedfolks strangers are drawn together in a most unlikely way.

People came to the lot for very personal reasons, but ended up impacting the others who gardened there.

One person who made the most important difference in the garden was:

Sae Young

BODY paragraph:



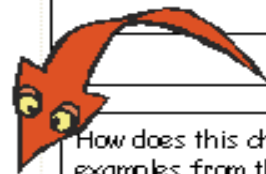
Character _____



Background information about this character:

What this character brings to the garden:





How does this character make a difference in the garden - give *at least two specific* examples from the novel:

BODY paragraph:



Character
Sae Young

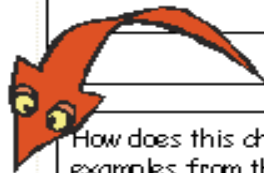


Background information about this character:

Korean widow, mugged,
feared others
Stayed inside

What this character brings to the garden:

Kindness, Knowledge, Funnels



How does this character make a difference in the garden - give at least two specific examples from the novel:

Helped solve watering problem
positive impact on success for all
- helped kids in their gardening
- became more open-minded

Conclusion



_____ made a difference in the lives of all who came to the garden.

Now, with fresh new words, state how he or she made a difference by becoming a part of the community garden.

