

## **Activity 1: Retell with Props**

**Standard:** CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.1.2 – Retell stories, including key details, and demonstrate understanding of their central message or lesson.

**Materials:** Small props (mini tent, flashlight, tree cutouts, backpacks)



**Description:** In small groups, students retell the story using props to act it out. They should:

- Use complete sentences.
- Include the beginning, middle, and end.
- Share what lesson the characters learned (e.g., teamwork, staying calm).

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## **Activity 2: Story Scene Freeze Frames**

**Standard:** CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.1.5 – Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions when appropriate.

**Description:** Students create “freeze frames” (tableaux) of key moments in the story (e.g., getting lost, finding the oak tree, sitting by the fire). Each group presents their scene while a narrator explains what is happening using expressive language.