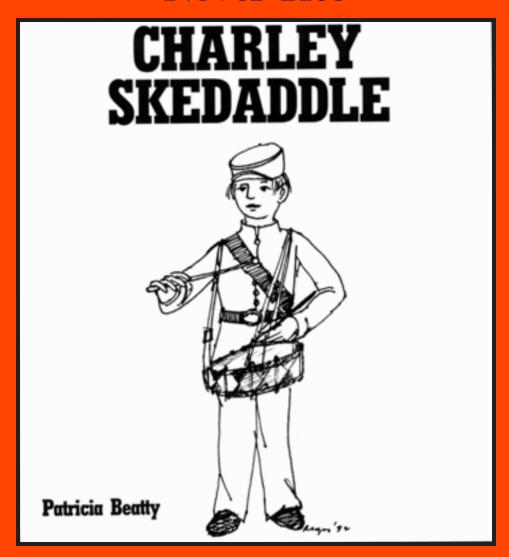
Novel·Ties



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For the Teacher

This reproducible study guide consists of lessons to use in conjunction with the book *Charley Skedaddle*. Written in chapter-by-chapter format, the guide contains a synopsis, pre-reading activities, vocabulary and comprehension exercises, as well as extension activities to be used as follow-up to the novel.

In a homogeneous classroom, whole class instruction with one title is appropriate. In a heterogeneous classroom, reading groups should be formed: each group works on a different novel at its reading level. Depending upon the length of time devoted to reading in the classroom, each novel, with its guide and accompanying lessons, may be completed in three to six weeks.

Begin using NOVEL-TIES for reading development by distributing the novel and a folder to each child. Distribute duplicated pages of the study guide for students to place in their folders. After examining the cover and glancing through the book, students can participate in several pre-reading activities. Vocabulary questions should be considered prior to reading a chapter; all other work should be done after the chapter has been read. Comprehension questions can be answered orally or in writing. The classroom teacher should determine the amount of work to be assigned, always keeping in mind that readers must be nurtured and that the ultimate goal is encouraging students' love of reading.

The benefits of using NOVEL-TIES are numerous. Students read good literature in the original, rather than in abridged or edited form. The good reading habits, formed by practice in focusing on interpretive comprehension and literary techniques, will be transferred to the books students read independently. Passive readers become active, avid readers.

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Pre-Reading Activities (cont.)

9. As you read Charley Skedaddle, you will want to keep the two sides in the Civil War straight in your mind. Read the words and phrases below. Then classify the words under the headings North and South. Enter as many as you can before reading the book. Complete the others as you read.

General Lee New York Johnny Reb
men in blue Yankees Virginia
General Grant Rebels men in gray
Union soldiers Confederates General Meade

North	South

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