

Katie's Trunk

(Grade 5 Theme 3 Selection 2 Summary ELL)

<i>Katie's Trunk</i> tells about the family of Katie Gray at the beginning of the American Revolution. Katie's parents are Tories; they support the British king. Katie's family has lost rebel friends who are against the British. Her friend Celia Warren doesn't speak to her anymore.	12 22 34 45
One day, Katie's father comes running to tell his family to get out of the house and hide. The rebels are coming. Scared, they run into the woods. Katie feels like a trapped animal. Then she gets so angry that she runs back into the house. She doesn't want anyone to damage the house or the things in it.	58 71 84 96 104
Katie runs into her parents' room and hides in her mother's wedding trunk under a pile of clothes. She can hear footsteps and doors slamming. She hears the rebels throwing things on the floor and Celia Warren's father telling the others to look for money.	115 127 138 149
Katie can hardly breathe in the trunk. Then Mr. Warren opens the lid. She breathes in the fresh air. The dresses on top of Katie moves, and she feels Mr. Warren's hand. Katie wants to scream, but she knows she must keep quiet. After touching her, Mr. Warren shouts the others that the Tories are coming and that they should leave the house. He leaves the trunk lid open.	161 175 187 198 211 218
Katie comes out of the trunk and begins to cry. Her family runs inside. Her mother hugs her but is angry that she ran back into the house. Katie knows that Mr. Warren called the others away to keep her safe, leaving the lid open for her to breathe. She believes that there is still some goodness in her neighbors, even with the war beginning.	231 245 257 270 282 283