



Finale
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Readership: Mid to Upper primary,
reluctant readers early secondary

Genre: Fiction

Diva - Finale

It's down to five contestants. The TV cameras are rolling and tensions are running high. I should just be happy that I've made the final cut, but somehow it's not enough. When the spotlight shines on the Diva winner, I want it to be shining on me.

Excitement and Nerves...

1. Look up 'excitement' and 'tension' in the dictionary. In your own words explain how these words are similar and different.
2. Think about times you have felt tense or excited. Write a paragraph describing the way your body reacted to both feelings.
3. Interview your classmates about times when they felt tense or excited. Graph your results. Write a sentence about any patterns or similarities you notice.
4. In Finale, each of the girls had different ways of dealing with tension. Investigate then write a report on the variety of different techniques used to settle people when they are tense.

Finale...

1. If you were Mickey, what song would you have chosen to sing for the final? Describe the clothes you would have worn.
2. In the first chapter, Mickey says Skye has changed since she first met her.

'Skye was kind of quiet and unsure when I first met her, but now she's different. Not bad different, just straighter, happier. More confident, I guess.'

What do you think is the change Mickey has noticed in Skye?

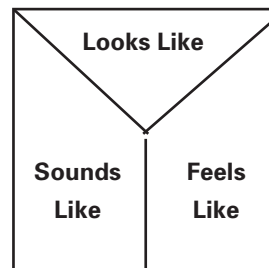
3. Mickey's dream was to be the Dream Diva. Do you think her dreams came true?
4. Write a menu for a Dream Diva celebration. Remember drinks and dessert. When you're happy with your draft copy, create a Dream Diva menu, using your own Dream Diva logo.
5. Part of the Dream Diva experience was dealing with the media. Imagine you are a newspaper reporter and write an article about the final performance.



Y Chart...

Success is different for each of us. Create a Y Chart showing what success means to you.

Sample....



Get Creative!

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1. Talent competition judges use a criteria, or list of conditions or standards, to help them choose the winner. Judge's criteria include costumes, use of the stage and microphone, choice of song and dancing ability. Imagine you are a Dream Diva judge. Create a judging sheet for Dream Diva, listing your criteria.
2. Make a Diva board game.
3. Many TV programs today have their own merchandising. Create your own range of Dream Diva merchandise. What will your range include? Lollypops? Pencil cases? Clothes? Make-up?
4. What would you like to ask a character in Rising Star? Write that character a letter, setting it out properly.

