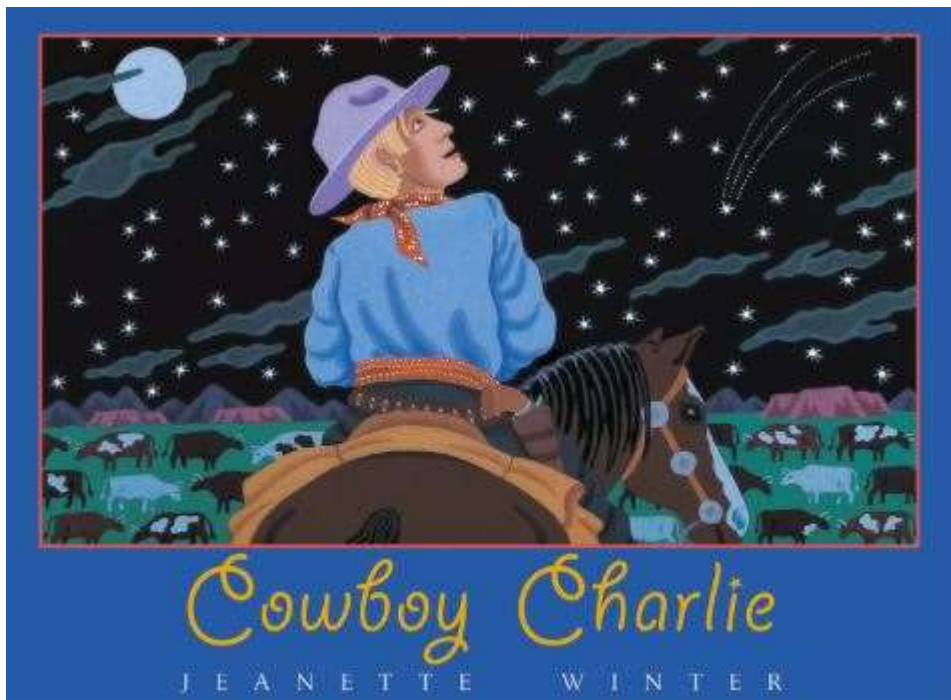


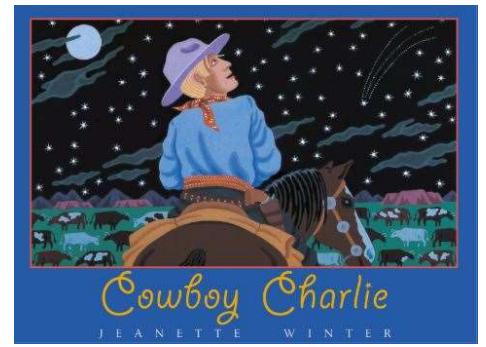
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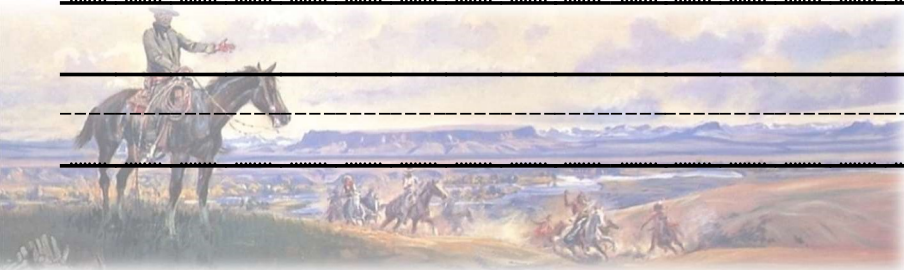
"On rainy days, Charlie's father

read stories... and told tales...

Charlie listened closely and

drew pictures of his heroes.

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Homework: Cowboy Charlie, Class 1

In *Cowboy Charlie*, Charlie learned about the West from stories his father told. His passion grew for the land as he later listened to the stories of Jake, the trapper; the cowhands around the campfire; and even the Indians.

What about you? What kind of story would you tell? Think back to an experience or an event that was memorable to you. It could be an injury, a vacation, a time you were surprised. It could be something you saw, a game you won (or lost), or something you did for the first time. Make notes or pictures in the spaces below. Practice telling your story to Mom and Dad. Don't forget to use descriptive words and animated voices as you share.

Things to Remember:

- Your story needs a beginning, middle, and end.
- Your story needs descriptive words to help us feel like we're there. (Remember the 5 senses: how did things look, feel, smell, sound, taste, etc)
- Use note cards or draw pictures on the boxes below to help you remember your story, but DO NOT write the whole story out in words.
- When you share your story with the class, remember to be expressive and make changes in your voice to make the story more exciting. If you say, "it got reeeeeeeally quiet" – then lower your voice as you say this. If you heard bells ringing, make the sound effect of bells, "ding dong" etc.