

THE NEVERENDING STORY – STORY TABLEAUX

Cut up the scene captions and distribute them to the students in groups to create tableaux.

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| 1. Ten-year-old Bastian Balthazar Bux and his father are grieving the death of Bastian's mother. |
| 2. Bastian is bullied by his peers at school. |
| 3. Bastian finds comfort and solace from his sadness in reading and his own imagination. |
| 4. One day, while running from the bullies, Bastian finds refuge in a bookstore owned by Carl Conrad Coreander, an old curmudgeon. Coreander pulls out a book titled <i>The Neverending Story</i> and tells Bastian it's magical. |
| 5. When the bookstore owner, Coreander, is distracted, Bastian steals the book and escapes to the attic of his school to begin reading <i>The Neverending Story</i> . |
| 6. The story that Bastian begins to read takes place in a magical land called Fantastica. The Childlike Empress is dying, and a dark force called the Nothing is causing the world of Fantastica to disappear. |
| 7. Atreyu, a young warrior hunting the purple buffalo, accompanied by his loyal horse, Artax, has been chosen to find a cure for the Empress which will destroy the Nothing. |
| 8. Cairon, a great healer, gives Atreyu the Auryon, a medallion to protect him on his journey. |
| 9. Atreyu goes on this quest, which tests his courage and perseverance. He meets many fantastical creatures on his journey. |
| 10. Bastian discovers he plays a vital part in saving Fantastica. Just as the Nothing moves towards the Empress, Bastian calls out her name and cures her, driving out the Nothing and saving Fantastica. |
| 11. As a reward, the Empress gives him a grain of sand from the remains of old Fantastica and invites him to visit the new world often. |
| 12. A delighted Bastian runs off to show his father the grain of sand and to tell him about his wonderful adventure. |