

Chingo Smith of the Erie Canal by Samuel Hopkins Adams (Fiction)

1. Comprehension: Summarize what happened in the first twenty pages.
2. Application: Construct a timeline of important events that occurred throughout the story in chronological order.
3. Synthesis: Compose a song/rap/poem illustrating what you have learned from reading this book; include a minimum of five facts backed up with evidence.
4. Knowledge: What is a barge?
5. Analysis: Compare and contrast life on the Erie Canal at the time of its creation to life on the Erie Canal today.
6. Analysis: Compare and contrast what we have learned in class about the Erie Canal with what you have learned about the Erie Canal through reading this story.
7. Evaluation: Who do you think was the most influential character in this story and why? Defend your choice with details and examples.
8. Synthesis: Compose a letter to the author of this novel, challenging the information he put in the story, with the knowledge that you have learned in class.
9. Synthesis: Design your own model Erie Canal, make sure your diagram/model is accurate and could be used in the real world.
10. Knowledge: What is a lock and why is it important?