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**The Cutting Wedge**

**(Story / Article / Play)**

 ***Let’s Draw***Do your own sketch/drawing/ diagram related to the journal or based on your own experiences.

 ***Who Am I?***

Choose any one of the characters in the journal and do a mini profile on them. This needs to include as much information about that character that you found in the journal.

 ***My Thesaurus***

Choose 5 words from the journal and write another word for each word chosen which has a similar meaning. E.g, Hot = Boiling . You may also like to do this as a Pictionary (drawing a picture of the similar meaning of the word).

Readability: 10-12 years

 ***Syllables***

Write down 2 words from the journal that have 2 syllables, and 1 word that has more than 2 syllables, E.g, Sometimes=some/timesSituation=sit/u/a/tion

 ***Chunking***

Write down 3 words from the journal that you can “Chunk” or split, so one word makes two words. E.g, Sometimes = some + times

***Did I Understand?***

*(Comprehension Questions)*

1. What was Dougie swinging on?

2. Why were they cutting down the trees?

3. Who was tinkering with the chainsaw?

4. What was the creaking on page 25?

5. What did the tree smash into?

6. Who was the gruff voice from?

7. What has a baby got to do with this story?

8. List all the main characters.

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 ***Word Study*** Write and/or draw meanings for these words.

1. Wobbled

2. Earplugs

3. Scones

4. Suspense

***What’s the Question?***

*(You write the question to the answer given below)*

1. Spare helmet

2. File

3. Lost his balance



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 **My Opinion of the Story/Article** Rate the story/article you have just completed. Give at least one full good or bad point/reason of why you say this. This is what YOU thought of it.

***Activities*** *Choose one of the below (or your teacher will tell you which one to do) in relation to the story/article.*

Title Page Cartoon Drawing or similar

Model Wordfind / Crossword

Mini Pictionary Teacher Choice

Mobile/Craft Your Choice

 ***Picture Cues***

*Find the answers to these questions using the pictures in the story/article.*

1. How many teeth are on the chainsaw?

2. How many chickens were there?

3. What colour was the chicken house?

4. What colour was Dads hard hat?

 ***Odd 1 Out***

*Which is the odd one out which was not in or related to the story/article?*



Bark

Wood



Trees

Flowers

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