

Notice and Note Signposts Chart - Lesson 9

Using the text *Because of Winn Dixie*, find the signpost moments in the story and complete the chart below.

Signpost	Definition	Guiding Question	Example from <i>Because of Winn Dixie</i>
Contrasts and Contradictions	A character's thoughts or actions are opposite of what you would expect, or they surprise the reader. Or, an event or setting feels like it doesn't belong	What thoughts or actions surprise us?	<p>How Opal thought that Gloria Dump was a witch because the two bald-headed babies (Stevie and Dunlap) had said, "You better get your dog out of the witches yard or else she'll eat it for dinner and if you go in there she'll eat the dog for dinner and you for dessert."</p> <p>When Opal went in there she found Winn-Dixie liking Glorias hand because she had peanut butter on it and when Opal went to get Winn-Dixie she saw that the two bald-headed babies were wrong because Gloria was a nice pretty lady..</p>
Aha Moments	The moment when a character suddenly figures out something important that changes them or the plot.	Has the character made a sudden realization?	Opal suddenly realizes that Gloria Dump wasn't a witch. In the text it states "Winn-Dixie likes her, I could tell." This shows how it suddenly hit Opla that Gloria Dump wasn't really a witch she was just a nice old lady.
Again and Again	When an image, word, or situation is repeated so often that the reader wonders at its importance.	Are any words, phrases, or character actions repeated?	<p>One word that was said many times was "Gertrude" as it said in the text, "Gertrude's a pretty bird" screamed Gertrude. "Gertrude" Gertrude yelled." "and then Gertrude got real quiet."</p> <p>Another word that was repeated was Winn-Dixie as</p>

			it said in the text “Winn-Dixie stood and stared back at her” “and landed on top of Winn-Dixie’s head.”
Tough Questions	The moment when a character stops and asks themselves or someone they trust a tough question. Usually a “I wonder...” or a “Why...” type of question.	Does the character ask a “why” or a “how” question?	
Words of the Wiser	When an older and wiser character offers a life lesson of some sort to the main character.	How could the advice affect the character?	Miss Dump taught Opal the lesson that it does not matter about the outside; it is more important about the inside. In the story Miss Dump said “you know my eyes ain’t too good at all i can’t see nothing but the general of things.”
Memory Moments	A flashback or pause in the story to reflect back on a memory.	Does the character interrupt the flow of the plot to recall a memory? Why is the memory important?	My memory moment that I found was in chapter nine it stated “What happened was this” and then it told the entire story.