

## *Problem/Solution Guide*

### **What is a Problem/Solution Guide and why is it important?**

A Problem/Solution Guide asks students to consider a problematic situation and generate ideas to resolve it. This process piques students' interest and motivates them to read about a similar topic.

### **How can I use a Problem Solution Guide with my students?**

Pose a situation similar to a crucial one in the story. For example, in the story *Stone Fox*, Willy and his sick grandfather are in danger of losing their home. You might ask students, "What could you do if your family needed money to pay the rent and your mom, dad, or grandparent were sick and couldn't earn it?" Possible solutions might include: borrow from my uncle, deliver papers, baby-sit for a neighbor, or hold a fund-raiser. After a discussion, have students read the text to identify the problem and determine how the character in the story solved the problem. Alternatively, students can write their responses on a guide.



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