

Graphic Novel Study

Pre-Reading Activities

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Look at this image from
the front cover.

Individually, write a
one paragraph
prediction of what
you think this book
might be ab





Still working individually, look at the images located inside the cover and write again.

What's your prediction now?

Did it change? Stay the Same? *WHY?*



The
ARRIVAL



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- Now looking at the cover with its title, what do you think this book will be about? You've now been given three hints. What do you predict this book is about now?



- Discuss with your group, and designate someone in your group to share with the class.



Pages 1-3

- Review pages 1-3. What additional information does this give? How does it change or reinforce your perceptions & predictions?

Please refrain from skipping ahead as we progress through the novel. You will be asked to do a few more prediction activities and knowing the outcome will be a disadvantage for you





The Arrival

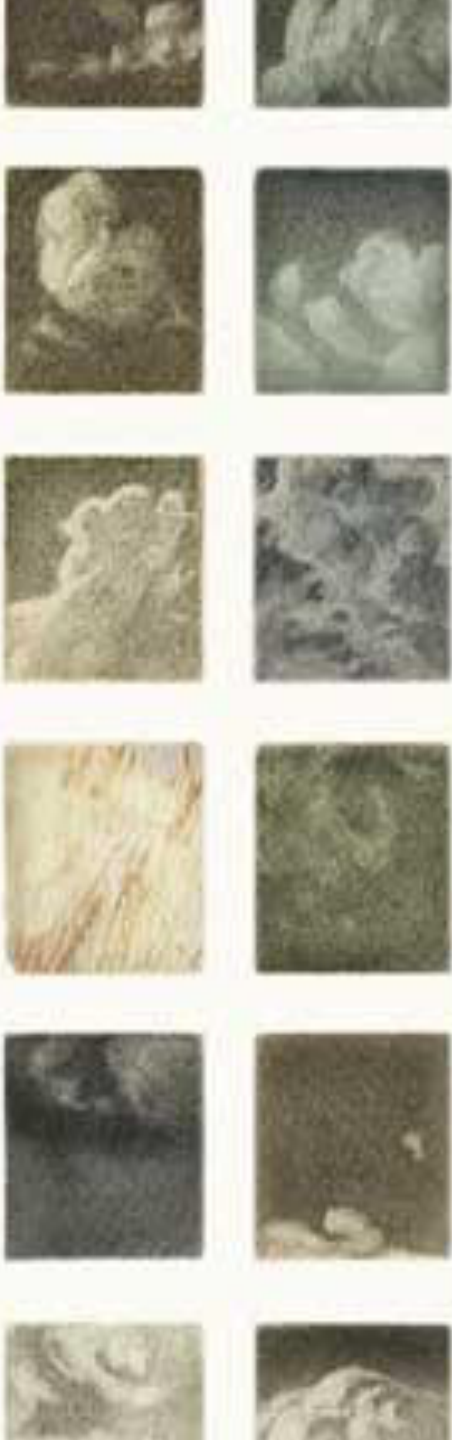
Chapter One Activities

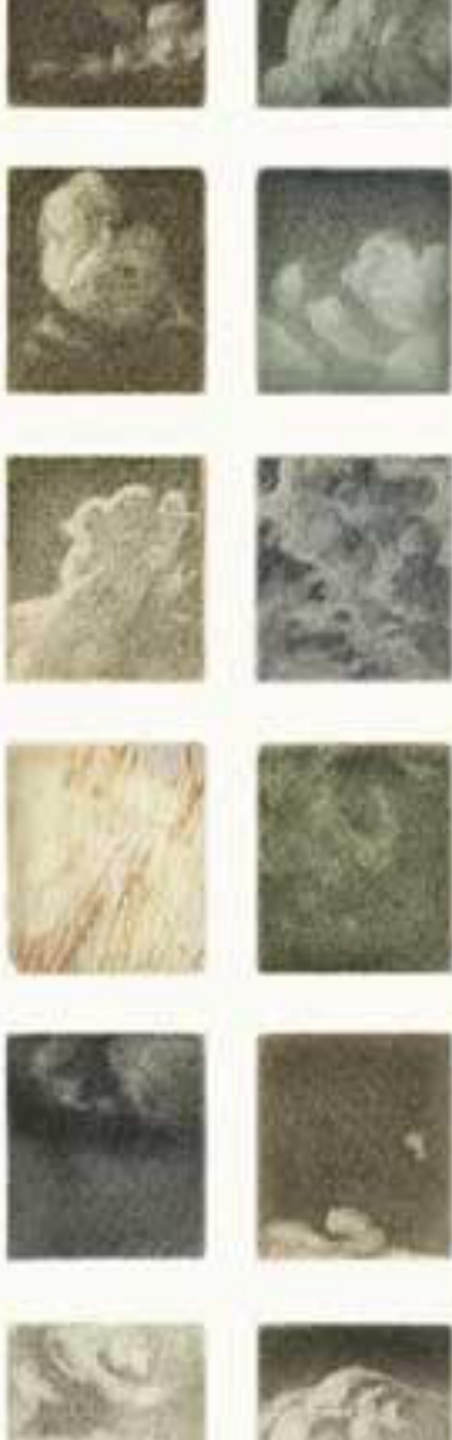
Vocabulary Page

Please title the FIRST page in your duo-tang (the one you left blank) “Graphic Novel Study Vocabulary”, and add in the following definition:

PANEL: A panel is a discrete (or separate) image on a page. If a page has one image it is called a *full-page panel*. A page can have any number of panels.

A panel is also called a frame.





Page 5: Meet the Protagonist

For each of the 9 panels on page 5, list one *concrete* word (a tangible thing that you can experience with your senses), and one *abstract* word (an idea word such as love or loneliness)

e.g.	CONCRETE	ABSTRACT
Panel One	Kitten	Joy
Panel Two		Belonging
etc.		





Page 6

Again, there are 9 panels (or frames) on this page. Visually they may look similar, but I think that they have very different purposes. The frames on page 6 seem to tell more of a story. As a group, determine the main idea that comes to you as you examine these 9 frames. What frame (or frames) in particular support this? Record in your notebook.



