Narrative Lesson Plan: Stepping Stone Ideas, Possible Open Questions and Feelings

Idea # 1  Serbian conspirators decide to assassinate Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria-Hungry visits Sarajevo, Bosnia

1. Why is the Archduke visiting Sarajevo?
2. What do we know about the relationship between Austria-Hungry and Bosnia?
3. How do the conspirators view the Archduke?
4. Why do they decide to assassinate him now?
5. How do the conspirators view Serbia?
6. What is the significance of the date?
7. How do we know they have a violent emotional reaction to his visit?
8. What is the bias of the eyewitness?

Feelings: furious, proud, revenge, oppressed, enslaved, insulted, loyal, devoted.

Stop/Talk “Death to the Tyrant.”

Idea # 2  Serbian conspirators accomplish goal in two attempts.

1. Why do you think Ferdinand had the presence of mind to throw himself backward?
2. What might be Gabrinovic’s reaction to his failure?
3. What was the reaction of the other conspirators?
4. How do you think Princip knew where to stand?
5. How do the conspirators view Princip?
6. What did uttering one word, “Sophia,” suggest about the Archduke?
7. Why were the officers so brutal?
8. Why didn’t they kill him?

Feelings: determined, admiration, courage, selfless, shock, furious, ashamed.

Stop/Talk End of article

Big Ideas

1. Nationalism in its extreme form can result in far reaching and violent consequences.
2. A few people can significantly change the course of history.
3. A hero or patriot to one group is sometimes a villain to an opposing group.