



Teacher's Notes: Elderflower Cake

General Tips: The goal is to build background knowledge while leading an engaging discussion on any and all information that can be talked about on a given page. The items that you choose to bring up or focus on can be modified for the students you are working with. For example, if you have a student who can point to something in the picture, answer yes/no questions be sure to incorporate a lot more of that as you go through the book. On the same token, be sure to ask a lot of comprehension questions and critical thinking questions at the level appropriate for students working on those skills. There is something for everyone.

Addressing Problem Solving: Throughout the e-book, help students identify the problems that are involved and choice making opportunities throughout the article.

Page 1: Who is Prince Harry? What does it mean to be a prince? Who is Meghan Markle? They are getting married. That means they will have a wedding. What are weddings like? Have you been to a wedding? The wedding is May 19th. That is a Saturday. What season is May in? What do you think this wedding will be like? Point to Meghan, Prince Harry, Calendar, the 19th

Page 2: When people have weddings they have them someplace. They decorate and make it look nice. Prince Harry is from the royal family in Great Britain. He will have a royal wedding. Royal means kings and queens. His mother was Princess Diana. His father is Prince Charles. The royal family has a lot of castles. Prince Harry will get married in one. It is called Windsor Castle. The castle is in England. Right near London. His wedding ceremony will be in St. George's Chapel in Windsor Castle. There is a church or a chapel right in that castle. **Point:** USA, England, Windsor Castle. **Video:** short video of castle <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0jQjhBbPt-w>

Page 3: The normal thing for royal families to do when there is a wedding is to make fruit cake. Fruit cake is something that the English have been making for hundreds of years. A lot of times people make jokes about fruit cake. They don't like it that much. Some people do like it, but it's not usually a favorite. You can see the lady's face. Do you think she likes fruit cake? Why? **Point:** woman, mouth, cake, frosting, fork **Video:** The video link on the ebook shows royal wedding cakes. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=czehAnJiK4U>

Page 4: Prince Harry and Meghan decided that they don't want to have fruit cake, even though that is what people usually eat at a royal wedding. They wanted to have a cake that has lemons and elderflowers in it. Did you know that you could make a cake that has flowers in it? Because flowers bloom in the spring, they wanted a cake that was like spring, where flowers bloom. Would you like a cake made with lemons? How about flowers? What kind of cake do you like the best? **Point:** elderflowers, lemons, lemon tree

Page 5: The thing about elderflowers is that you can eat those and you won't get sick. Some people really like to eat things made with elderflowers. You can boil the water and put the flowers in it. It makes a tea. You can then use that tea to make recipes like cake. When it is okay to eat something and it won't make you sick it is called edible. Are elderflowers edible? Is paint edible? No, you can't eat paint. Are carrots edible? Yes, you can eat carrots. **Point:** lemons, strainer, elderflowers

Page 6: Look at the plate and fork and knife. See the circle around it with a line? That means NO. This sign means do not eat it. See the picture of the flower with the No symbol? Can you eat that flower? No. That kind of flower is not edible. Some are and some are not. You have to ask someone who knows. Some flowers are poisonous. Is it okay to eat any flower that you find? Why? Do you like flowers? How many flowers do you know about? Can you name some? **Point:** plate, no sign, flower, no sign.

Page 7: Claire Ptak is the lady that will make the cake for Prince Harry and Meghan. She is from California, but she lives in London now. She owns her own bakery. What is a bakery? What can you buy at a bakery? London is a big city in England. It is not too far away from Windsor Castle. Claire is famous in London for making good food at her bakery. Her bakery is called Violet Bakery? What is a Violet? Yes, it's a flower. Claire owns Violet Bakery. Do you like to bake? What do you like to bake? **Point:** Clair, cake, bakery **Video:** See Claire and her Bakery. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S6IKqIEAtzY>

Page 8: Claire is going to make the cake in May. The wedding is May 19th, so Claire has to make the cake so that it is ready for the wedding. She has to make the cake with lemons and Elderflower tea. She will also have to put other things into the cake. What goes into a cake? Eggs? Flour? Vanilla? Butter? She will also decorate the cake. The cake in the picture is small. She is going to make a very big one for the wedding. She will need to get elderflowers and lemons. **Point:** Cake, flowers, frosting **Video:** how to make it: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S3B7JPAA6e4>

Page 9: The day of the wedding the cake will go to Windsor Castle for the wedding party. Prince Harry and Meghan will get married. Then there will be a party where people eat, dance, and eat the lemon elderflower cake. Do you think the wedding will be fun? What do people do at weddings? Have you been to a wedding? **Point:** cake, Prince Harry, Meghan