



## James and the Giant Peach Writing Activities

- 1. The cast of characters inside the peach pit included both predators and prey.**
  - Why were those particular animals selected to be the creatures to go with James?
  - What prevented the spider from wrapping up the tasty little morsels, or the ladybird from snacking on the appetizing insects?
  - Were they just adventurous, or were they surprised by their metamorphosis? Do you think they had something else in common (other than eating the little green *things*)?
  - Explain your answers.
- 2. Can you imagine lacing up and unlacing 21 pairs of boots each day of your life?**
  - If they were your boots, would they all be the same in color, size, and shape? Picture each pair in your mind.
  - Describe each pair of them, and then determine how many different ways the Centipede could wear them, creating a new look each and every day.
- 3. Flash forward 10 years.** James has returned to Merry Ole England, where he has inherited the old house of his Aunt Sponge and Aunt Spiker. He has planned a reunion for his friends the Earthworm, the Centipede, the Spiders, the Glowworm the Ladybird, and the Silkworm.
  - Describe what takes place during this three-day weekend.
  - What do the friends talk about, remember, and look like?
  - Give as many specific details as you possibly can when you write about this fabulous event.