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| **Book title: The Firm by John Grisham** | | |
| Brief description (include genre): Legal / Crime thriller. The Firm tells the story of a brilliant young lawyer who is offered the job of his dreams. Although he is soon living a luxurious life in an expensive house, he finds the firm of Bendini, Lambert & Locke very secretive and controlling. Also, lawyers who work there keep dying. And why is the FBI interested in the firm?  Note that chapters 1-7 are on the powerpoints, including all activities. The complete text (chapters 1-25) can be accessed using the link or via the word document. | | |
| Part 1  Chapter 1 | Pre | Look at the book cover and make predictions about the book  Optional look at film trailer to elicit key vocab / predictions  For chapter 1 make predictions about what factors are important for Mitch in the perfect job |
|  | While | Choose adjectives that best describe Mitch and the law form Bendini, Lambert & Locke |
|  | Post | Discuss own priorities in choosing a job. Has Mitch made the right decision? |
| Chapter 2 | Pre | Prediction – what do you expect Mitch to be shown on his visit to the Firm? |
|  | While | Open questions |
|  | Post | Discuss personal response – would you like this job with the firm? Is it the perfect job? |
| Part 2 Chapter 3 | Pre | Re-cap using picture prompts. What do you remember so far?  Awareness-raiser about keeping track of names |
|  | While | Match new characters and their roles  Find the false sentence |
|  | Post | Discuss what you infer from the text (Is the Firm as great as it first seemed? Who is Lazarov? |
| Chapter 4 | Pre | Prediction exercise |
|  | While | Check predictions / Open questions |
|  | Post | Short internet search to answer some questions about the Cayman Islands |
| Part 3  Chapter 5 | Pre | Recap of events so far  Prediction exercise |
|  | While | Check /correct predictions |
|  | Post | Role-play conversation between Mitch and Abby about Mitch’s long hours at the office |
| Chapter 6 | Pre | Prediction exercise |
|  | While | Multiple-choice |
|  | Post | Internet search about FBI |
| Part 4  Chapter 7 | Pre | Share ideas / search results about FBI  Prediction exercise |
|  | While | True / false sentences |
|  | Post | Discussion  Role-play a conversation between Mitch and Abby about the FBI agent |
| Chapters 8 - 25 |  | Continue reading using link:  [<https://english-e-reader.net/book/the-firm-john-grisham>](https://english-e-reader.net/book/the-firm-john-grisham)  (The whole text is also included in the folder as a Word doc for those able to download / open a word file)  TEs write short notes on each chapter and can read independently or as part of a reading group according to circumstances |
|  | Post-reading tasks | Discussion: Did you enjoy the story? Why (not?)  Do you think Mitch and Abby will remain safe from the mafia forever?  Do you think they will enjoy their new life forever?  Debate: Lawyers are paid too much  Writing: Write a news report after the arrests summarizing what happened  Write a short story or diary extract about Mitch and Abby’s new life  Write a review of the book |