**Puzzles, Brainteasers, and Activities: Curse of the Lost Coin**

***The Haunted Chronicles***

1. **Cursed Coin Maze**: Create a maze where students need to guide Theo and his friends through the ruins to find the cursed coin and avoid the dangers of the forest.
2. **Decode the Whisper**: Use a cryptogram to decode a message from the curse, mirroring the mysterious whispers in the story. Example phrase: *You will take my place.*
3. **Memory Match Game**: Create a memory card game using key symbols and objects from the book (the coin, the Reclaimer’s tomb, Josie’s sacrifice) to help students recall important plot points and themes.
4. **Who Said It?**: Create a matching puzzle where students have to match quotes from the characters with the correct person. This encourages close reading and analysis of character dialogue.
5. **Timeline Jumble**: Provide students with a jumbled list of key events from the story. They must place the events in the correct order to understand the cause-and-effect nature of the plot.
6. **Word Search**: A word search using key terms from the book, such as *curse, Reclaimer, whispers, sacrifice, forest, Josie, Theo, coin, Collector,* and more.
7. **Spot the Differences**: Provide two images of the cursed town—one before the curse and one after—and ask students to spot the differences. This reinforces the theme of transformation through time.
8. **Riddles of the Ruins**: Incorporate riddles based on the story’s elements that students have to solve to "unlock" the next part of the cursed mystery. Example: *I whisper in the night, I’m neither seen nor heard, what am I?*
9. **The Final Choice**: Present students with a hypothetical scenario where they have to decide between two tough choices, similar to how Theo had to choose whether to bury the coin or sacrifice a friend. This encourages critical thinking about consequences.
10. **Cemetery Crossword**: A crossword puzzle focused on the haunted cemetery, using clues based on the locations and symbols from the story. For example, *The name of the ancient burial site where the curse began* (Answer: Cemetery).