

SSYRA Questions- grades 6-8; 2020-2021

These questions are meant to help you communicate with your students about the books and to help you determine if a student read the book. They are casual, easy questions that most students should be able to answer if they read the book. I usually only ask 2 or 3 of the questions and can tell easily if the student read the book or not by their answer.

Spark

1. What kind of Dragon does Mina receive?
A lightning dragon
2. What happens the first time Pixit tries to fly?
He sets the farm on fire
3. What is Pixits favorite food?
Potatoes
4. What was Minas punishment for flying before Professor Dano told her too?
He took her to his Library and told her to read books
5. Who helped Mina and Pixit after they were hurt?
The people over the mountain. *Outsiders* search and rescue from Dern
6. What happened to Pixit when they fell?
He hurt his wing
7. How did Jyx, Zek and Ferro get Pixit with his hurt wing back to the school?
They carried him in a net and flew him back with their dragons
8. Why was Mina in the hall when the Prime Minister passed by in the city?
She was waiting for Pixit to use the restroom
9. What was hurting the *Outsiders* and killing them?
The Ten-year storms
10. What did Mina do to try to stop the Ten-year storms?
Drew flyers to give out of the graves, flew the outsiders to the city and told the people what was happening
11. How did Mina find her spark?
She got angry with her family/they wouldn't listen
12. How did they power the projector and speaking tube?
With their lightning
13. Where did Jyx and Mina get assigned after graduation?
Beyond the Mountains/Dern

Inkling

1. What does the dad use to make a cake with at the birthday party?
A loaf of bread with chocolate icing
2. What does the sister think Inkling is/ what does she want him to be?
A dog named Lucy
3. What happens when Inkling eats comic book pages.
He gets hyper and wild.
4. Who stole Inkling?
Vika

Marcus Vega Doesn't Speak Spanish

1. What does Marcus do for money before he gets caught?
Walks kids to school, collects Cell Phones, Garbage tax...anyone who litters around school.
2. What is Marcus's brother, Charlie's favorite movie?
Willie Wonka and the Chocolate factory
3. Why does Marcus and Stephen get into a fight?
Stephen calls his brother a name
4. Why does Marcus want to go to Puerto Rico?
To find his dad
5. What does Danny give Marcus to take with him on his trip?
A camera
6. What did they go see the first night they were in Puerto Rico?
Fireworks
7. When they are at the farm what is it that is making all the noise in the evening?
The Frogs or Coqui
8. Why did they have to stay the night at the farm?
There was a storm and it wouldn't be safe to drive back.
9. Where did they finally find their dad?
At a Hotel/Timeshare
10. Was their dad happy to see them?
Not really, just wanted to sell them a timeshare

Scouts

1. What does Annie's dad give her for before she heads off to Rocky's house?
A Purple Pocketknife
2. What secret does Bean tell Annie?
His house is being foreclosed, they are moving.
3. Where were they all when the thing fell from the sky?
On top of the Silo
4. What animal invades their camp?
A Bear
5. Why was Annie afraid to cross the river on the tree?
She couldn't swim.
6. What is different about Edge's dog?
He has three legs, his name is Hoppy
7. Why does Rocky not like the idea of his dad and Fynn's mom together?
He's not ready, he misses his mom
8. How do they get out of the bunker/cellar that Edge locks them into.
Beans uses Annie's pocketknife, twine, a metal rod, and a mirror that they find
9. Who comes out of the helicopter to try and stop the spheres from exploding?
Military men/Annie's dad
10. What does Fynn do really well?
Bake

The Bridge Home

1. What was Rukku's favorite fruit?
Bananas
2. Why did Viji want to run away with Rukku?
Dad started to hit them/already hurt the mom
3. How did the girls meet Teashop Aunty?
Rukku broke a glass and they had to work to pay for it
4. What gift did Aunty give to Viji and Rukku?
Supplies to make necklaces, her daughters raincoat
5. What did Viji want to be when she grew up?
A teacher
6. What did the Waste man pay the kids to find?
Glass or metal scraps, cardboard or cloth if they are not too tattered
7. When they were run off the Bridge, where did they end up setting up camp?
A cemetery
8. When Rukku got sick, what did Viji do to make money fast?
Sold Kutti/the dog
9. Who came to visit Viji and the home?
Her Dad/Appa
10. What was Rukku's favorite color?
Green

Charlie Hernandez and the League of Shadows

1. Who is Mrs. Wilson?
Charlie's caretaker/La Cuca...the witch
2. When Charlie thought he saw his mom in the dark alley, who does the person turn out to be or what does it look like?
A horse head
3. What gift does Charlie buy for Violet?
A tandem bike
4. How does Charlie pay for Violet's gift?
He pawns his locket.
5. What happened to Charlie's parents?
The witch/La Cuca turns them into dolls
6. How does Charlie survive the witch/La Cuca?
He tricks her to fly as high and as fast as she can, she goes too far and explodes in the atmosphere

City Spies

1. What is Brooklyn afraid of?
Heights
2. What do they call the place they live and why?
FARM –
3. What is unique about the hotel they go to stay in?
It is protected by M16. Walls are reinforced, super strong glass, it is connected to the British Embassy
4. What is a motherism?
A saying that mothers use often.

Lifeboat 12

1. Why does Ken go back to the cabin instead of getting in the lifeboat right away?
To get his coat
2. What does Mary do to keep the boys entertained on the lifeboat?
She tells them a story with cliffhangers.
3. What are the kids told to sleep in until they get out to see and away from the bombs?
Their life jackets.
4. What are Ken's parent's going to do with his room while he is gone?
Rent it out

Float

1. What is Zeke's Service Animal?
A Skunk
2. Where do they hide the Flag for "Capture the Flag"
They tie it to Emerson's weighted shoe and throw it into the river
3. How does Murphy save Emerson during the "Initiation" ?
He sticks his hand to him
4. What was their punishment for lighting the lake on fire?
Scrubbing the bathrooms with toothbrushes and bleach
5. What was the last prank the boys did to the girls at camp?
They tied all their clothes up in the trees in a circle around their camp
6. How does Mr Stink let them know Murphy is about to time travel?
He Sneezes

We're Not From Here

1. What color was the sky on Planet Choom?
Green
2. What Planet did humans go to for awhile?
Mars
3. What food did Dad make on Mars to survive?/ Did they like it?
Chow/ No
3. What emotion was the "Sour Milk" smell of the Zhuri? "Gasoline"? "Sweet Doughnuts"?
Fear/ Anger/ Funny
5. How did the family get the Zhuri to like them?
Comedy and Singing
6. What does Marf make Ila?
A Guitar
7. Which food do the Humans enjoy the most?
Marfs....Ororo's
8. What happens to Dads face?
The Zhuri Supervisor Spits Venom on him
9. Do they get to stay and live on Planet Choom?
Yes

Song For A Whale

1. What did Iris collect and fix?

Radios

2. What Planet did Iris' friend Wendell show her how to find in the sky?
Jupiter
3. Where does Grandma take Iris?
On a cruise to Alaska
4. What did Iris' friend Bennie give her to stay warm?
A scarf
5. What was the one thing Grandpa wanted to do on an Alaskan Cruise?
Touch a Glacier
6. Where does Iris find Grandma the night she thinks she lost her?
"Tippy Marlin Bar" singing Karaoke
7. What did Grandma make for Iris in Origami class?
A Blue Whale
8. Who gets to play the song for Blue 55 first?
Iris
9. What changes were going to happen when they get home?
Iris was going to the new school with more Deaf Students
Grandma was going to live on the Cruise Boat for 1 Year

Game Changer

1. Where is Teddy?
In the hospital/a coma
2. What does Teddy's little sister make the nurse do for him?
Wash his hair
3. What sport does Teddy's sister Janey play?
Soccer
4. Who's hand does Teddy squeeze first?
His Dads
5. What gift did Camille bring Teddy in the hospital?
French Fries, A team ball signed by all the players
6. Does the truth ever come out about what happened to Teddy?
Yes, Ethan tells the story about the Rookie Rumble and the Hit Parade
7. Does Teddy ever wake up? Does he remember what happened?
Yes, and Yes

The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise

1. What animals end up coming on the bus during the trip?
Cat and goat
2. Why does Rodeo call Coyote his compass?
Because she guides all of his decisions
3. Why does Coyote want to go back home to Washington?
Because they are tearing down the playground where she, her mom, and sisters buried something.
4. Why is Rodeo hesitant to let Val come with them?
Because she is young and he thinks she could be a runaway.

Deep Water

1. What was the name of the dive boat?

The Barbie Doll

2. What were the divers doing at the bottom of the sea?

Spear fishing; looking at the tanks

3. What happened to separate the divers from the boat?

Anchor never set and it came loose; father on the boat passed out from a diabetic episode

4. How long were Shane and Julie stranded on the oil rig?

About a month

5. What drastic step did Julie and Shane take to finally get rescued?

Broke the beacon light at the top of the oil rig?