



CLASSROOM QUESTIONS – JANUARY 2023

Reading Comprehension

1. Teen author Olivia Amiri discusses a dilemma she had when learning that her friend vapes. Discuss vaping with students and the harm that it can do. Ask them to write a few sentences detailing what they think about vaping and to include some of the ways they think it can affect them.

 2. *Marky the Magnificent Fairy*, a story about a woodland fairy with one small wing who is teased by the other woodland creatures, teaches about diversity, inclusion, kindness, and believing in yourself. We all have unique characteristics that make us magnificent. Ask students to write about what makes them unique and special.

 3. *Bibi's Got Game* is a story about a Canadian tennis star who worked hard and followed her dreams despite an injury setback. Ask students to think of something they want to accomplish and to write about what it might take to achieve that goal.

 4. *From A to Z with Energy!* is a guide to get kids to move, learn, and use their imagination. It offers 26 ways to move and play. Ask kids what portion of their day they spend playing video games or using their phones versus playing outdoors or using their imaginations to play. Have them write about their “play” selections.

 5. The author of *My Tiny Pet Elephant* thinks you would enjoy having an elephant as a pet. Ask students if they have any pets. Is there a particular pet that they would want to have some day? Have them describe in a few sentences the pet they'd like to have, what they would name it, and the interactions they'd have with it.
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True or False

1. In *POMP, SNOW & CIRQUE* *Umstance*, three unique characters study and learn special music, magic, and circus skills at a secret university. (True or False)
2. *Always, Clementine* is about a chimpanzee that is set free to experience the outside world. (True or False)
3. In *Emperor of the Ice*, we learn about the effects of climate change on the emperor penguin in Antarctica. (True or False)
4. In *A Taste of Honey*, Kamala raises cows in a small countryside village and sells the milk at a local market. (True or False)
5. *Just City* is about a guy named Nathan who plays a virtual reality game as part of a scientific experiment. (True or False)
6. Nasruddin has been invited to the queen's ball in *The Tale of the Unwelcome Guest*. (True or False)
7. When an adopted girl completes a class assignment in *The Family Tree*, we see the different ways that families are made. (True or False)

Fill in the Blanks

1. A little boy tries on his _____ clothes and makeup in the story *Fred Gets Dressed*.
2. In the story *I Am Not an Octopus*, Terry the octopus needs to learn to _____.
3. The four animal friends in the book *Desert Friends* are Rodney, Quincy, Tripod, and _____.
4. The *Hanmoji Handbook* takes a look at ancient _____ characters that evolved into modern-day emojis.
5. In *Questions that Matter*, we learn that steam (and its vapors) is called a _____.
6. We see how the main character learns to control his _____ in *The Grumpy Frumpy Croissant*.
7. In the story *The Girl in the Toile Wallpaper*, _____ must rescue the girl of his dreams.

Answers
True/False: 1. True 2. False 3. True 4. False 5. True 6. False 7. True
Fill in the Blanks: 1. mom's 2. swim 3. Gator 4. Chinese 5. gas 6. anger 7. Tyler

