

Y5 & 6 Comprehension Discussion Points

Pretend you are a literary critic giving a radio broadcast about the book. How would you rate it? Would you advise children to read it? Why?	Pretend you are the character in the book ten years on...write a short commentary on how you feel about the story now and how you might do things differently.	Did the story inspire you in any way?	Pick 10 WOW words from the book. Why have you chosen them? Can you use them in a sentence?	Which chapter or part of the story is the most important? Why?
Think of 5 questions you would like to ask one of the characters in your book. What do you think their answers might be?	Can you summarise the story in less than 20 words?	Compare two characters in the book. How are they the same/different?	What are the themes/ideas in the book?	Retell the events of the book in 1 minute.
Find 3 examples of facts in the book and 3 examples of opinions.	What would you change about the story if you could rewrite it?	Retell the events of the book in 1 minute.	Find 3 words that you weren't sure of the meaning but worked out from the context. How did you work them out?	If you were to write a sequel to the book what would happen?
If you were to write a prequel to the book, what information would it need to contain?	Pick 3 phrases that use metaphors or similes to help you picture the scene.	Pick a brilliant phrase from the text that really helps you to picture it.	Would you recommend this book to the next Year 5 class? Why/why not?	Imagine you are reading to a younger pupil. Read a page aloud using as much expression as possible.
What might happen next? Support your answer with evidence from the text.	Choose a part of the story and focus on the main character. What are their thoughts and feelings at this point?	If you could be a character from the book, who would you be? Why?	Pick 5 new facts that you have learnt from reading the book and tell a friend.	Count how many different genres you have read over the holidays.