



CLASSROOM QUESTIONS – JULY 2021

Reading Comprehension

1. Teen author Olivia Amiri discusses the pressure of being asked, “What do you want to be when you grow up?” She thinks it’s unnecessary, and explains that her interests and priorities could change. She wants to concentrate on her present self. Ask students what they think when asked this question and if they agree with Amiri.
2. In *My Name is Layla*, the main character is used to awkward social situations and disappointing academic performances due to her dyslexia. Define and discuss “dyslexia” with students and ask them what they think it’d be like to experience Layla’s situation.
3. The author of *Dear Librarian* says each community has children who need the library for a variety of reasons. Ask students if they use their local library and to write what they like most about it. If they don’t go to the library, ask them to write the reasons why they don’t.
4. *Sam’s First Word* is a story about looking beyond yourself to what others are doing and being excited for their accomplishments. Discuss these ideas with students and ask them to write about a situation where they were glad for someone else’s achievement.
5. Aiden Adams is only 6, but he is already a published author, environmentalist, and songwriter. He says, “If you work hard and use your imagination, you can be anything you want to be. But it’s most important to be yourself.” Discuss these ideas with students and ask them to write some reasons why they think it’s important to be yourself.

True or False

1. The picture book *Ada and the Galaxies* is a combination of fiction and nonfiction, and includes real pictures taken of the cosmos. (True or False)
 2. *Aspire!/¡Aspirar!* is a flip-over book that is written in both English and French. (True or False)
 3. Diversity and children are themes in *Eyes that Kiss in the Corners*, a picture book about an Asian-American girl. (True or False)
 4. The book *Dakota Crumb* is about a clever little bird with an eye for treasure. (True or False)
 5. Alex and Maia Shibutani created a book series about two Asian-American siblings who go on adventures together. (True or False)
 6. *Tales by Moons-light* is a collection of five fables from a strange planet called Urth. (True or False)
 7. The *Everthing You Need to Know When You Are...* book series includes ideas for pulling pranks on others. (True or False)
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Fill in the Blank

1. The book *Wonder Women of Science* profiles the accomplishments of 12 genius female scientists and _____.
2. In the rhythmic tale *Llama Glamarama*, the llama's name is _____.
3. Darren Sardelli is a children's author and _____, known for his enthusiastic visits to student-packed school assemblies and workshops.
4. In *Ella Says: I'm Going to be an Astronaut!*, Ella has a space adventure with a friend named _____.
5. *Lena, the Sea and Me* is a story about the adventures of Trille and Lena growing up in a coastal village in _____.
6. The little girl in *The Secret Fawn* didn't get to pick the first _____ or see a shooting star or spot a deer.
7. Children's author Lana Button's next book, *The Cow Said Boo!*, is about a cow with a _____.

ANSWERS

True/False:

1. True
2. False
3. True
4. False
5. True
6. False
7. True

Fill in the Blanks:

1. Engineers
 2. Larry
 3. Poet
 4. Leelo
 5. Norway
 6. Apple
 7. cold
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