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CLASSROOM QUESTIONS – APRIL 2023

Reading Comprehension

- 1. In her column, teen author Olivia Amiri tells us some things that she aspires to accomplish, one of which is to develop her identity as an author. Define and discuss "aspire" with students. Ask them to write about what they aspire to do. Have them give details about as many things as they'd like to include.
- 2. NBA basketball star Chris Paul's new children's book offers a glimpse into his early years of chasing his basketball dreams and what he's learned on and off the court. He wants his book to also inspire in kids a love of reading. Ask students to write about a dream they have of accomplishing and why it's important for them to achieve their goal.
- 3. The message of the book *Magnificent Mocha Monty*, about a boy who knows his skin is brown and magnificent, is to love the skin you're in and to build self-esteem and self-acceptance. Discuss this theme with students and ask them to write why these ideas are so important and what it means to them.
- 4. In the story *Alpaca Ranch Fun!*, Aunt K owns a farm with a menagerie of animals that learn about different creatures from other parts of the world. The message of the book is that you can be friends no matter what color, size, and background you're from. Ask kids to write why this is important and to give details about a friend they have who is from a different part of of the world.
- 5. *Fire Chief Fran* is about the everyday workings of a fire department, features a female fire chief, and includes fascinating information about all that the career entails. Ask students if they have an interest in being a firefighter. Why or why not? Have them explain their reasons in a few sentences.

True or False

- 1. Flangoo is a digital platform that provides students with a library of engaging stories about a wide range of subjects. (True or False)
- 2. Too Many Pigs and One Big Bad Wolf is a take on the classic story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. (True or False)
- 3. The CP3 basketball academy was started by NBA star Chris Paul and provides skill development, leadership opportunities, and basketball education. (True or False)
- 4. In *Pillow Palace Princess*, Prince Mason winds up in the Kingdom of Calondes and he befriends Scarlett. (True or False)
- 5. *Mr. McClosky's Marvelous Mallards* tells the story behind the story of the idea conceived for the classic book *Make Way for Ducklings*. (True or False)
- 6. Dressing Up the Stars is about the first woman to head a major studio costume department. (True or False)
- 7. *Marker* is a story that teaches that it's OK to make mistakes, and we can all work together to correct them. (True or False)

Fill in the Blanks

- 1. In the girl power book *Princess Noa Is Not Sorry*, the name of Princess Noa's dog is ______.
- 2. In the book The Flying Man, we learn about Otto Lilienthal, who was the the world's first ______.
- 3. In Flip Turns, Maddie and her friend launch their own investigation into who's sabotoging her family's ______.
- 4. In the *Lindie Lou Adventure Series*, Lindie Lou and her friends are trying to locate a ______ in New Zealand.
- 5. In book 2 of the *Misty the Cloud* series, Misty's party with her cloud friends is interrupted by the ______.
- 6. In Adventures with Pop Pop at Grant's Farm, Pop Pop calls his grandkids, Grandman Levi and Grandman ______.
- 7. In *Dinosaurs Like Bananas, Too!*, Logan and his dinosaur friend meet a whale, a bird, a bear, and a ______ on their adventure.

