

LET'S THINK ABOUT IT

Good questions help us learn.

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1. At the beginning of Chapter 1, Sammy finds himself in a giant pile of stinky dung. What's the worst smell you've ever experienced?
2. Toby remembers his dad saying some really mean things to him (page 14). Has your dad ever said something hurtful, either on purpose or by accident? How did that make you feel? How did you react?
3. Have you ever bullied someone or seen someone get bullied? How could you help someone who's being bullied?
4. Sammy has to distract the Bigmean so Toby can get to the river (page 16-17). What would you have done to get its attention?
5. In Chapter 2, the Tunnel of Memories reminds Cliff of all the times he wondered who his father is. Is your father part of your life? How would things be different if he was or wasn't?
6. Have you ever been afraid to go to school? Who or what were you afraid of?
7. Do you know anyone who gave their life to protect our country like Cliff's cousin Steven? How would you describe that person?

8. Cliff asks God to be the father he always needed (page 24). Who is God to you? In what ways is He like a father to all of us?
9. Spencer used to hate being so small, but he's grown to like it because it makes him good at wrestling and climbing trees (page 36). Is there anything you don't like about your body? What's something good that could come out of what you don't like?
10. Has anyone like Mr. Tusker ever touched you in a way that made you feel uncomfortable? Did you tell someone about it? If not, who could you tell?
11. Spencer learns to forgive Mr. Tusker so those bad memories don't control how he feels about himself (page 45-46). Who do you need to forgive? How can God help you do that?
12. Have you ever seen a gorilla in person? What do you know about them?
13. Every Gorilla the campfire gang meets shares a name with someone in the Bible. Who were Caleb, Jonah and Obadiah in the Bible? What adventures did they have?
14. The Gorillas greet each other by pounding their fists on their chests (page 56-57). How loudly can you pound on your chest? Do you have a special way to greet your friends?

15. How easy or difficult is school for you? What subjects are the hardest?
16. Pete lost his mom to cancer when he was five (page 61-63). What is cancer? Do you know anyone who's struggled with it?
17. Have you ever been on a trampoline like the Gorillas built in the jungle? What was it like? How high did you get?
18. In Chapter 6, Kerry remembers how sad he felt when his parents got divorced. Has your family ever been broken up because of divorce, death, work or some other reason? How did it make you feel? How did you have to adjust?
19. Do you feel like your family is rich, poor or in the middle? Do you wish you were richer? How would that make your life different?
20. Do you know anyone who has Down syndrome or autism? What are some ways you could help them?
21. In Chapter 7, Kerry gets trapped on a vine and Toby comes up with a plan to rescue him. Have you ever had to help a friend get out of a bad situation? What plan did you create? How did it go?
22. John and BB believe different things about God, but they don't let it affect their friendship (page 111). Do you have any friends who believe something

different from you? How can you talk with them about God?

23. Have you or anyone you know been adopted? How could being adopted affect how loved someone feels?
24. Do you know anyone who chose to end their life like BB's cousin Donna (page 128)? Why do you think they would make that decision? If they were still here, what would you say to them?
25. Do you have any allergies or asthma? How does it affect your everyday life?
26. At the end of this book, BB has to learn to forgive himself. How easy or difficult is it for you to forgive yourself? How can you ask God to help you do that?
27. What's one verse the rock said that you want to remember? Write it down here:
