

COMMON CORE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Designed for 3rd grade reading level.

1. Describe Princess Vinnea's character traits. Provide evidence from the text to support your answer. (RL.3.3)
2. How do the Gulavores contribute to the story? (RL.3.1, RL.3.3) Look at the Etymology Chart. Why do you think the author chose this Latin name for them?
3. The author uses the words sly and mysterious to describe Danga. Determine the meaning of these words using clues from the story and illustrations. What words could you replace them with? (RL.3.4, RL.3.7, L.3.4)
4. Explain how the illustrations of Danga emphasize his character traits. Provide evidence to show how words and phrases in the story are expressed through the illustrations. (RL.3.7)
5. Reread the parts of the story that discuss the Harvest Jubilee. What do you think a jubilee is? What clues from the story help you to understand this word? What word could you replace jubilee with? (RL.3.4, L.3.4)
6. How does the mood of the people in Amani change throughout the story? Provide evidence from several parts of the story to support your answer. (RL.3.3, RL.3.5)
7. What is the author's central message or lesson in *Princess Vinnea and the Gulavores*? Be sure to use key details in the story to prove your thinking. (RL.3.2)