

# *Anybodies*

By N. E. Bode (Julianna Baggott)

## Questions

1. What odd color were the Drudger's dinner party guests?  
Answer: Beige (p. 23 PB)
2. Who besides Fern saw the bat turn into a marble?  
Answer: Mrs. Lillipole, her swim coach (AKA The Bone) (p. 20 PB)
3. What words did the snow spell out when it turned to paper?  
Answer: "Things aren't always what they seem, are they?" (p. 5 PB)
4. Why did Fern burst out with, "I didn't jam a fork in the toaster?"  
Answer: She was self-conscious about her hair. (p. 25 PB)
5. What kind of perfume did The Bone say Fern's mother smelled like?  
Answer: lilacs (p. 70 PB)
6. Where did Fern tell the spy that the missing book was located?  
Answer: She told her that the missing book was located at her grandmother's (Eliza's mother's) house. (p. 102 PB)
7. From where did the Miser recruit his spies?  
Answer: The Circus (p. 82 PB)
8. Where was the Miser's final confrontation with Fern to take place?  
Answer: An old abandoned gas station (p. 239 PB)
9. Who went by the name Mrs. Appleplum and who named her?  
Answer: Fern's Grandmother (Doratheia Gretel); Fern named her. (p. 125 PB)
10. Why did Fern think that the Miser had horns under his hat?  
Answer: He had just changed back from being a bull and had a hole in his nose like the bull had. (p. 149 PB)

# *Chicken Boy*

by Frances O’Roark Dowell

## Questions

1. What did Tobin feed the chickens to ensure strong eggshells?  
Answer: Oyster shells (p. 79 HB)
2. How much daylight does a chicken need to produce an egg?  
Answer: 14 hours (p. 48 HB)
3. Why did Harrison want Tobin to purchase a Black Australorp chicken?  
Answer: They produce the most eggs. (p. 57 HB)
4. What makes the Araucana chicken special?  
Answer: It lays blue or green eggs. (p. 47 HB)
5. Why didn’t Tobin dress out for physical education class.  
Answer: He had really skinny/scrawny legs. (p. 11 HB)
6. Why was Tobin suspended from school?  
Answer: He was suspended for fighting with Cody Peters over something he said about Miss Thesman. (p. 19 HB)
7. What talent did Tobin have that Harrison and Henry encouraged him to develop?  
Answer: Running (p. 42 HB)
8. Instead of Tobin’s family being torn apart by neglect, what was the real, unresolved reason?  
Answer: The reason was grief over the mother’s death. (pp. 192-193 HB)
9. What did Tobin say he would never do because of his mother’s death?  
Answer: He said he would never smoke cigarettes. (p. 133 HB)
10. What did the family therapist want Tobin’s family to talk about?  
Answer: their mother, Sandy (p. 179 HB)

# *Code Orange*

by Caroline B. Cooney

## Questions

1. What is the main interest of Mitty's life instead of school?  
Answer: Music (p. 4 HB)
2. When Mitty has extra money, who does he give it to?  
Answer: Subway performers (p. 8 HB)
3. What is the full name of the variety of smallpox known as VM?  
Answer: Variola Major (p. 13 HB)
4. Why does Derek think that he can find Ottie Lundgren's murderer on the Internet?  
Answer: Derek thinks the murderer will want to tell others what he did and will probably use the Internet to brag about it. (p. 25 HB)
5. Who invented "ring immunization?"  
Answer: Donald Henderson of the World Health Organization (p. 40 HB)
6. Who invented the vaccination process and when?  
Answer: Edward Jenner, 1796 (p. 44 HB)
7. What was Mitty's "great skill?"  
Answer: Making friends (p. 69 HB)
8. What had Mitty been thinking about while Olivia played with dogs in Central Park?  
Answer: Suicide (p. 135 HB)
9. When faced with a "fight or flight" situation upon meeting the woman in brown, which does Mitty choose?  
Answer: Flight (p. 144 HB)
10. How does Mitty know for sure that his kidnappers are not American?  
Answer: They have a cell phone ring tone that plays "Here Comes the Bride" and Mitty believes that any American would have changed that right away. (pp. 166-167 HB)

# *Drums, Girls & Dangerous Pie*

by Jordan Sonnenblick

## Questions

1. What was “Dangerous Pie?”

Answer: “Jeffrey’s “Dangerous Pie” was a zesty blend of coffee grounds, raw eggs and their smashed shells, Coke, uncooked bacon, and three Matchbox racing cars,” (p. 7 PB)

2. How did Jeffrey get a nosebleed?

Answer: Steven put Jeffrey up on a bar stool so he could help make the MOATMEAL by mixing the oatmeal with the water. When Steven turned away to get the spoon, Jeffrey slipped off the stool and banged his face on the counter. (p. 16 PB)

3. What happened when Jeffrey tried to eat an orange Tic Tac?

Answer: Jeffrey threw up all over Steven’s shoes when he tried to eat the Tic Tac. (p. 71 PB)

4. What specific type of cancer was Jeffrey diagnosed with?

Answer: Jeffrey had ALL, which stands for acute lymphoblastic leukemia. It is a type of blood cancer in which certain types of white blood cells become deformed and rapidly multiply. (p. 75 PB)

5. Why was Steven exiled to his grandparents’ house for eight days?

Answer: Steven caught the flu and could not be in the same house as Jeffrey because he was extremely vulnerable to germs. (p. 137 PB)

6. What was Steven’s reason for not allowing Renee into his house to tutor him in math?

Answer: Renee was sick and Jeffrey could not be exposed to germs. (p. 160 PB)

7. Why couldn’t Annette play the piano in the spring concert?

Answer: Annette fell down the stairs and broke her arm in three places. (p. 191 PB)

8. Why did Steven shave his head?

Answer: Steven shaved his head so that Jeffrey wouldn’t have to be bald alone. (p. 201 PB)

9. What did Steven give to Samantha in the hospital as an early birthday gift?

Answer: Steven gave Samantha his favorite pair of drum sticks and offered her lessons when he came back to the hospital (p. 232 PB)

10. What did every male student in the All-City Jazz band do as a tribute to Jeffrey?

Answer: They all shaved their heads bald. (p. 253 PB)

# *Gossamer*

Lois Lowry

## Questions

1. What happened to Rotund?  
Answer: He turned menacing. (p. 21 HB)
2. Where do the dreamgivers live?  
Answer: They live in a place called the Heap. (p. 9 HB)
3. What do the Sinisteeds inflict?  
Answer: They inflict nightmares. (p. 25 HB)
4. How could Thin Elderly and Littlest One tell that a Sinisteed was coming?  
Answer: Because the sound was increasingly terrible, first a snorting and heavy breathing, then a pawing against the wall of the house. Littlest thought she could even feel the heat of it and smell the acrid wet-smoke scent. (p. 55 HB)
5. Why was it necessary for the dreamgivers to touch objects?  
Answer: "Through touching, they gather material: memories, colors, words once spoken, and hints of scents and the tiniest fragments of forgotten sound. They collect pieces of the past, of long ago and of yesterday. They combine these things carefully, creating dreams." (p. 13 HB)
6. When does the Horde come?  
Answer: The Horde comes when they focus on one victim, someone particularly helpless. (p. 49 HB)
7. What is delving?  
Answer: Delving means touching too deeply. (p. 24 HB)
8. What do Sinisteeds look like?  
Answer: They are horselike with four legs and quite powerful. They stamp the earth and their nostrils quiver. (p. 25 HB)
9. How do the dreamgivers give dreams?  
Answer: They center themselves, pull up the fragments they want to use, hover near the person's head and then bestow the dreams. (p. 29 HB)
10. Why did Fastidious not want to be Littlest One's instructor anymore?  
Answer: She didn't like children and was impatient with inexperience. (p. 16 HB)

# *Heat*

By Mike Lupica

## Questions

1. How did Michael Arroyo help the police catch Ramon when he snatched Mrs. C's purse?  
Answer: He hit Ramon in the head with a baseball and knocked him out. (p. 5 PB)
2. Why was Michael Arroyo crying as he ran home after his coach asked why his father had not returned his call?  
Answer: His father had been dead since May. (p. 34 PB)
3. What position does Michael Arroyo play on his Little League team?  
Answer: Pitcher (p. 28 PB)
4. Why was Carlos concerned when Michael's Little League All Star team started winning games?  
Answer: "the bigger the games, the bigger the spotlight" (p. 29 PB)
5. Where did Michael and Carlos say their father had gone?  
Answer: To visit a sick uncle in Key West, Florida (p. 39 PB)
6. What did Michael's best friend, Manny, enjoy doing most when he wasn't playing baseball?  
Answer: He loved to read books. (p. 46 PB)
7. What did Michael have to produce to prove that he was 12 years old and eligible to play Little League baseball?  
Answer: His birth certificate (p. 86 PB)
8. How did Michael find out that Ellie Garcia is the daughter of El Grande?  
Answer: He sees her on a television broadcast. (p.100 PB)
9. Who played the part of Papi when they tried to fool Mr. Gibbs from the Administration for Children's Services?  
Answer: Manny's Uncle Timo (p. 147 PB)
10. Who helped Michael get a copy of his birth certificate from Cuba?  
Answer: El Grande (p. 200 PB)

# *House of the Red Fish*

by Graham Salisbury

## Questions

1. What happened on December 7, 1941 that changed Tomi's life forever?  
Answer: The Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor close to Tomi's home in Hawaii. (p. 7 HB)
2. How was Tomi's father's fishing boat sunk?  
Answer: The U.S. Army towed it to the canal and axed a hole in the hull. (p. 9 HB)
3. Why were Tomi's father and grandfather taken away?  
Answer: They were of Japanese ancestry and were suspected of helping the Japanese bomb Pearl Harbor. (p. 9 HB)
4. What did Tomi and Billy keep forgetting to carry with them when they went to school?  
Answer: They forgot to take their gas masks. (pp. 30-31 HB)
5. What happened to Mose and Rico when they were out after curfew?  
Answer: Someone shot at them and wounded Rico. (p. 32 HB)
6. What did Tomi find on the sunken deck of the Taiyo Maru inside a pair of pants?  
Answer: He found the key to Sanji's truck which had been sitting at the harbor ever since December 7. (p. 88 HB)
7. What did Tomi find under Keet's bed that belonged to his family?  
Answer: Tomi found the family katana or samurai sword that he had hidden in the jungle. (p. 109 HB)
8. What was the first method Tomi and his friends used to try to refloat his father's fishing boat?  
Answer: They attached twenty-three inflated inner tubes to the boat under the water to try to make it rise. (p. 151 HB)
9. What did Grampa show Tomi in the back room of Fumi's tattoo shop?  
Answer: Grampa had located the air compressor the boys needed to inflate the pontoons to raise the boat. (p. 180 HB)
10. What happened to Rico when he was guarding the equipment at the canal overnight?  
Answer: Rico was beaten up and the pontoons were punctured by punks led by Keet. (p. 251 HB)

# *Jackie's Wild Seattle*

by Will Hobbs

## Questions

1. What did their parents plan for Shannon and Cody's summer vacation?  
Answer: They planned for them to stay with their Uncle Neal in Seattle. (p. 2 PB)
2. How does Neal look different from his picture on Shannon's refrigerator at home?  
Answer: He is skinny and clean shaven with a tattoo on his left arm. (p. 1 PB)
3. Why are Shannon and Cody's parents sending them to stay with Neal for the summer?  
Answer: They have been asked to go to Pakistan with Doctors Without Borders to help care for refugees. (p. 10 PB)
4. What kind of animals did Cody release in the van that almost caused them to have a car accident?  
Answer: Baby raccoons (p. 22 PB)
5. What is Jackie's Wild Seattle?  
Answer: A clinic for rescued wild animals (p. 33 PB)
6. What is Uncle Neal's secret that Shannon learns at the hospital when the hawk he is rescuing cuts Neal's hand?  
Answer: Uncle Neal has cancer. (pp. 77-78 PB)
7. What happened at the creek that caused Tyler to be sentenced to community service?  
Answer: Tyler killed a dog. (p. 92 PB)
8. What code name does Neal use to tell Sage that she is looking for a beaver?  
Answer: The code word for a beaver is "slaptail." (p. 101 PB)
9. What kind of animal does Shannon rescue by climbing down a cliff?  
Answer: She rescues a baby seal. (p. 113 PB)
10. What does Cody do with his *Book of Disasters* at the end of the story?  
Answer: He throws it in the dumpster. (p. 153 PB)

# *The Lightning Thief*

by Rick Riordan

## Questions

1. Who was Percy Jackson's mother?  
Answer: Percy's mother was Sally Jackson, a mortal woman. (p. 29 HB)
2. What was the name of the summer camp that Percy attended?  
Answer: Camp Half-Blood (p. 63 HB)
3. What animal did Percy kill on his way to the camp?  
Answer: He killed the minotaur. (p. 55 HB)
4. What color food was Percy's mother's favorite?  
Answer: Blue (p. 38 HB)
5. In the schools that Percy had attended, he had been diagnosed as dyslexic and hyperactive with ADHD. What are the real reasons for these characteristics that Percy has?  
Answer: His mind is hardwired for ancient Greek so it is difficult for him to read English. He has fast reflexes to save him on the battlefield and his senses are much better than a regular mortal's. (p. 88 HB)
6. Who is Percy's father?  
Answer: Percy's father is Poseidon, the Sea God. (p. 126 HB)
7. What is Percy's quest?  
Answer: Poseidon and Zeus are fighting over the theft of Zeus's master lightning bolt, a two-foot long cylinder of high-grade celestial bronze that is capped on both ends with god-level explosives. Zeus believes Percy has the bolt. Now Percy must find the bolt and return it to Zeus. (pp. 135-138 HB)
8. What does Percy consult in order to determine where to look for the lost lightning bolt?  
Answer: He consults the Oracle. (p. 141 HB)
9. Who are the two companions that travel with Percy?  
Answer: Grover and Annabeth (p. 147 HB)
10. Who took the lightning bolt?  
Answer: Ares took the bolt, but he may have been used by Kronos. (pp. 342-344 HB)

# *Listening for Lions*

by Gloria Whelan

## Questions

1. What caused the death of Rachel's parents?  
Answer: Influenza epidemic (p. 1 HB)
2. How had Rachel's parents met?  
Answer: That had met at the orphanage where they grew up. (p.15 HB)
3. Why had Valerie's father been sent away to Africa?  
Answer: He had been sent away because of his drinking and gambling. (p. 74 HB)
4. What disease can cause a person to lose fingers and even their nose?  
Answer: Leprosy (p. 14 HB)
5. What was the important similarity between Valerie and Rachel?  
Answer: hair color, both had "ginger" hair (p. 9 HB)
6. To whom did grandfather intend to leave his money and estate?  
Answer: The Royal Bird Society (p. 77 HB)
7. When Rachel returned to Tumaini, all that was recognizable was what?  
Answer: The graveyard of her parents (p. 186 HB)
8. What did Frieda suggest Rachel become in order to return to Africa?  
Answer: A doctor (p. 154 HB)
9. How did Rachel become a Pritchard after all?  
Answer: The grandfather adopted her. (p. 144 HB)
10. Who became Rachel's friend at boarding school?  
Answer: Nora (p. 151 HB)

# *The Old Willis Place*

by Mary Downing Hahn

## Questions

1. Who was coming that Georgie announced to Diana?  
Answer: A new caretaker (p. 1 HB)
2. How did Georgie and Diana help Mr. Potter “reform.”  
Answer: By stealing his remote control and playing tricks on him with it. (p. 14 HB)
3. Why does Lissa name her diary Dee Dee?  
Answer: It makes her feel like she has a real pen pal. (p. 22 HB)
4. What items did Georgie and Diana “borrow” from Lissa the first time they snuck into her room?  
Answer: Her teddy bear and her copy of *Lassie Come Home* (p. 31 HB)
5. What was Lissa’s reaction upon first seeing Diana?  
Answer: She was frightened by her wild appearance. (p. 43 HB)
6. How does Diana first communicate with Lissa?  
Answer: Diana borrows Lissa’s diary and writes to her and returns it. (pp. 52-53 HB)
7. What causes Lissa to draw in her breath on the third floor of Ms. Lillian’s House?  
Answer: A grand piano (p. 111 HB)
8. What are some hints that Diana and Georgie are really much “older” than Lissa?  
Answer: The television stars they know are Roy Rogers and Dale Evans. (p. 84 HB)
9. What are the rules that Diana and Georgie must follow and how do they know these rules?  
Answer: Rule One: Do not let anyone see you. Rule Two: Do not leave Oak Hill Manor. The rules were just there in their heads. (p. 129 HB)
10. What warning do Georgie and Diana give to the wild animals?  
Answer: They warn them to be careful of traps and shotguns in case the newest caretakers are like the previous ones. (pp. 9-10 HB)

# *Princess Academy*

by Shannon Hale

## Questions

1. What was the name of the game all the children in the village played?  
Answer: Rabbit and Wolf (p. 118 HB)
2. How did the girls walk in poise class?  
Answer: With their boots balanced on their heads (p. 92 HB)
3. How were names determined in Danland?  
Answer: Girls took their fathers' names and boys took their mothers' names. (p. 44 HB)
4. What did Britta confess about the prince?  
Answer: She confessed that she knew him when they were growing up. (p. 294 HB)
5. How did Prince Steffan seem when he met the girls?  
Answer: He seemed uninterested in them. (p. 219 HB)
6. What does Miri think quarry speech is used for?  
Answer: It is used for talking to other people. (p. 82 HB)
7. What did Olana do when she thought Miri was stealing a book?  
Answer: She locked her in the closet. (p. 71 HB)
8. What was the range in ages of the girls attending the Academy?  
Answer: They were from 12-17 years in age. (p. 38 HB)
9. What did Miri use as a weapon against Dan?  
Answer: Her linder hawk. (p. 276 HB)
10. Where does Miri want to open her own Academy?  
Answer: In her village, Mount Eskel (p. 311 HB)

# *The Ravenmaster's Secret*

by Elvira Woodruff

## Questions

1. Who were the Yeoman Warders?  
Answer: The Tower of London guards (p. 1 PB)
2. What was a “collar day?”  
Answer: A hanging day (p. 10 PB)
3. Why did Forrest’s friend Rat smell like cloves?  
Answer: He was a rat catcher and rats are attracted to the smell of cloves. (p. 30 PB)
4. Who was Simon Frick?  
Answer: The Tower chimney sweep (p. 38 PB)
5. Who were the “ghost boys” Forrest believed haunted the Bloody Tower?  
Answer: They were two young princes who were killed in the tower 300 years earlier. (p. 60 PB)
6. How did Ned end up working for Simon Frick?  
Answer: His owner lost him in a card game. (p. 94 PB)
7. What did Maddy ask Forrest to give her father for good luck?  
Answer: A twig of rowan (p. 107 PB)
8. How did Maddy’s father die?  
Answer: He was shot trying to escape from the guards. (p. 132 PB)
9. What were Tuck’s first words?  
Answer: “King George” (p. 186 PB)
10. Why did Forrest stay at the Tower instead of leaving with Maddy and Ned?  
Answer: He couldn’t leave his family forever. (p. 202 PB)

# *Surviving Antarctica: Reality TV 2083*

by Andrea White

## Questions

1. How were teenagers selected to go to high school or college?  
Answer: The students finish grade school and then participate in "Edu-dice Toss." If their numbers are rolled on the dice, they go to high school and college. (p. 1 HB)
2. Name the reality television show in which five students will participate?  
Answer: Antarctica Historical Survivor (p. 6 HB)
3. Who are the five teenagers chosen to go to Antarctica?  
Answer: Billy, Andrew, Robert, Grace, and Polly (p. 17 HB)
4. What kind of Indian was Grace and where did she come from?  
Answer: Inupiat Eskimo from Alaska (p. 13 HB)
5. What is the DOE Secretary, Dolly Jabasco's, nickname?  
Answer: Hot Sauce (p. 20 HB)
6. What does DOE stand for?  
Answer: Department of Entertainment (p. 20 HB)
7. What is the name of the compucraft that transported the teenagers to Antarctica and why is it significant?  
Answer: It is called the Terra Nova and has the same name as the whaling ship that Scott used on his expedition to Antarctica. (p. 19 HB)
8. Where were the camera lenses placed and why?  
Answer: They were placed in the students' left cornea and used instead of an adult camera crew. The camera in their eyes recorded the journey. (p. 23 HB)
9. What were the dogs named after?  
Answer: Dinosaurs (p. 88 HB)
10. Who stayed behind in Antarctica to finish the expedition?  
Answer: Robert and Grace (p. 301 HB)

# *Under the Same Sky*

by Cynthia DeFelice

## Questions

1. What would Joe's family do if some of the migrant workers leave?  
Answer: They would run an advertisement for more workers and they would work extra hard themselves. (p. 118 HB)
2. Why did Luisa, Frank and Rafael take off running into the woods?  
Answer: They ran because the border patrol had entered the field. (p. 172 HB)
3. Why did Joe feel bored and tired when the boys were at the amusement park, Darien Lake?  
Answer: Randy kept calling him Jose and challenging him to "stupid" contests and/or wagers. (p. 138 HB)
4. Why did Joe do a deliberately shoddy job of picking strawberries?  
Answer: Joe was embarrassed because his father and Manuel always performed perfectly at any job that they did. Joe on the other hand did not do perfect work. (p. 88 HB)
5. Why was Joe "all choked up" when he said goodbye to Frank?  
Answer: He was "all choked up" because he wanted to tell him how much he had enjoyed working with him, but he did not know how to say it. (p. 95 HB)
6. What was Joe's favorite kind of birthday cake?  
Answer: Chocolate and peanut butter (p. 21 HB)
7. What did Joe say to Manuel when he went out to the trailer after Luisa, Frank and Rafael ran away?  
Answer: "Listen Manuel, I did what you told me. I didn't tell my dad or my uncles or anybody. I waited, but I am sick of waiting. I could be in big trouble over this, so you better tell me: *What's going on?*" (p. 182 HB)
8. Why did Joe drive the old green farm truck?  
Answer: He drove the truck because there was no one else to do it. (p. 184 HB)
9. What does it mean to be *under* the same sky?  
Answer: Luisa tells Joe that her mother told her that when she gets lonely in the United States to remember that she is under the same sky as her family back home. (p. 163 HB)
10. What was the final straw that ended Joe's friendship with Tony?  
Answer: Tony set off firecrackers and showed that he did not respect the Mexican people. (p. 167 HB)