

Kensuke's Kingdom

Read chapter 10 and discuss some of the questions below.

Chapter 10: Killer Men Come

Day 1 (AF2)

1. What does Michael paint that Kensuke keeps?
2. Who stole the binoculars?
3. How does Michael block out his worries?
4. How do Michael and Kensuke protect the orangutans?

Challenge:

Summarise the story in 10 points.

Day 2 (AF3)

1. Why and how do Kensuke's actions encourage Michael?
2. How do you think Michael and Kensuke felt when Kikanbo appeared?
3. Why was it hard for Michael to say goodbye to Kensuke?

Challenge:

Draw Michael and his parents, and write down their thoughts and feelings when they are reunited.

Day 3 (AF4/5)

1. How does the last sentence bring all the parts of the story together?
2. Why do you think Michael chose to write about Kensuke?
3. How does Kensuke ask Michael to remember him?

Challenge:

Can you write an alternative ending for this story?

Day 4 (AF6/7)

1. Do you think Michael is right to promise to keep Kensuke a secret?
2. How does the farewell scene between Michael and Kensuke make you feel?
3. Does the postscript add to your enjoyment of the story?

Challenge:

What would you ask Michiya Ogawa?

Kensuke's Kingdom Answers

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Day 1 (AF2)

1. What does Michael paint that Kensuke keeps?
Tomodachi
2. Who stole the binoculars?
Kikanbo
3. How does Michael block out his worries?
By painting.
4. How do Michael and Kensuke protect the orangutans?
They lead them to Kensuke's cave to hide.

Challenge:

Summarise the story in 10 points.

Day 2 (AF3)

1. Why and how do Kensuke's actions encourage Michael?
Kensuke studied Michael's paintings and gave him advice (kindly) about how he could improve them.
2. How do you think Michael and Kensuke felt when Kikanbo appeared?
Listen to pupil's responses.
3. Why was it hard for Michael to say goodbye to Kensuke?
Listen to pupil's responses. Encourage them to refer to the text to explain their answers.

Challenge:

Draw Michael and his parents, and write down their thoughts and feelings when they are reunited.

Day 3 (AF4/5)

1. How does the last sentence bring all the parts of the story together?
It shows that Michael just had to believe that he would be safe and then be rescued.
2. Why do you think Michael chose to write about Kensuke?
Listen to pupil's responses. Encourage them to refer to the text to explain their answers.
3. How does Kensuke ask Michael to remember him?
By looking at the full moon and think about him.

Challenge:

Can you write an alternative ending for this story?

Day 4 (AF6/7)

1. Do you think Michael is right to promise to keep Kensuke a secret?
Listen to pupil's responses. Encourage them to refer to the text to explain their answers.
2. How does the farewell scene between Michael and Kensuke make you feel?
Listen to pupil's responses.
3. Does the postscript add to your enjoyment of the story?
Listen to pupil's responses.

Challenge:

What would you ask Michiya Ogawa?