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Alice in Wonderland

12 Chapters

Day 1-12

Q4 W28-W31

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 1: Down the Rabbit Hole

VOCABULARY rabbit, hole, fell, deep

It was a warm, boring afternoon, and Alice sat by the river with her older sister. She had nothing to do, and her eyes began to close. Suddenly a white rabbit in a little blue coat ran past her, looking at his pocket watch. "Oh dear! I shall be late!" he muttered. Alice jumped up. She had never seen a rabbit with a watch before! She chased him across the field and saw him dive into a hole under a hedge. Without thinking, she followed. ★ **Alice fell down.** She fell and fell through the deep, dark tunnel, and the air rushed past her ears. At last she landed in a strange and wonderful place.

THINK What did the rabbit look at?

Chapter 2: The Tiny Golden Key

VOCABULARY shelves, landed, room, key

Alice tumbled down and down, and it seemed to take forever. As she fell, she passed shelves full of books, maps, and jars of orange jam. She even grabbed one jar as she floated by, but it was empty, so she put it back on another shelf. She began to wonder how far she had come. Would she fall right through the Earth? ★ **Alice fell down the rabbit hole.** At last she landed softly on a heap of dry leaves in a small room with many locked doors. In the middle stood a glass table with a tiny golden key on top. Alice picked it up and wondered which door it would open. A great adventure was just beginning.

THINK What was in the jam jar?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 3: Drink Me

VOCABULARY door, bottle, drank, strange

Alice tried every door in the room, but they were all locked. Then she found a very small door behind a curtain. Through its keyhole she saw a beautiful garden, but she was too big to fit. On the glass table she found a little bottle with a label that said DRINK ME. Alice was careful. She checked that it did not say "poison." Then she drank a tiny sip, and it tasted of cherry tarts and hot toast. Whoosh! She shrank down to just ten inches tall. ★ Alice fell down a deep hole into a strange world.

Everything here followed different rules, and she had no idea what would happen to her next.

THINK What did the potion taste like?

Chapter 4: The Grinning Cat

VOCABULARY cat, strange, grin, size

After that, Alice kept changing size. A bite of cake made her grow as tall as a tree, and a sip from a bottle made her shrink as small as a mouse. It was very confusing! Soon she met a Cheshire Cat sitting on a branch. The cat had a huge grin that floated in the air, even when the rest of him faded away. "We are all mad here," the cat said. "I am mad. You are mad." ★ Everything was strange. Nothing followed the rules she knew. Alice felt confused, but she was also curious about this upside-down world, and she wanted to see what would happen next.

THINK What stayed in the air when the cat faded?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 5: The Tea Party That Never Ends

VOCABULARY tea party, Hatter, riddles, confusing

Alice found a long table under a tree, set for a tea party. The Mad Hatter, the March Hare, and a sleepy Dormouse sat squeezed together at one end. "No room! No room!" they shouted, though there was plenty. The Hatter asked riddles that had no answers at all. "Why is a raven like a writing desk?" he said. The Hare poured tea everywhere and nobody minded. Time had stopped at six o'clock, so it was always tea time, and they just moved around the table to get clean cups. **★ Everything in Wonderland was very confusing.** Alice wondered whether anything in this world would ever be normal, and she sat down with a sigh.

THINK What did the Hatter ask about a raven?

Chapter 6: Who Are You?

VOCABULARY caterpillar, who, strange, asked

Next, Alice came to a big mushroom, and on top of it sat a blue caterpillar. He looked at her for a long time, puffing on a long pipe. "Who are you?" he asked in a slow, sleepy voice. Alice stopped. It was such a simple question, but she could not answer it. "I hardly know, sir," she said. "I have changed so many times today." She had been big, small, and everything in between. **★ Everything was so strange that Alice asked who she was.** The caterpillar yawned. In Wonderland, even knowing yourself was a great puzzle, and Alice began to think about it all over again.

THINK How did the caterpillar speak?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 7: Painting the Roses

VOCABULARY Queen, garden, rules, roses

Alice came to the Queen of Hearts' beautiful rose garden. Three card soldiers were kneeling by a rose tree, painting white roses red as fast as they could. "Please tell us why," Alice whispered. "The Queen wanted red roses," one of them said. "If she sees white ones, she will be furious!" Alice thought this was very silly. Why should a rose be one color and not another? ★ **She questioned rules.** The soldiers only shrugged and kept painting. Alice could not understand why everyone was so afraid, and she bravely asked them why they followed such silly rules. The soldiers had never been asked that before.

THINK Who was kneeling by the rose tree?

Chapter 8: Standing Up to the Queen

VOCABULARY Queen, order, brave, believed

Then the Queen of Hearts came marching in, surrounded by her card soldiers. When she saw something she did not like, she screamed and shouted angry orders at everyone. The creatures were frightened and fell on their faces. But Alice stepped forward. She looked the Queen right in the eye and said, "You are wrong, and your rules are cruel and unfair." The whole garden gasped. ★ **She questioned everything she believed.** Nobody had ever dared to speak to the Queen that way. Alice felt her heart beating fast, but she stood tall. She was the only one brave enough to speak the truth.

THINK What did the creatures do when the Queen came?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 9: The Trial

VOCABULARY trial, fair, Queen, proof

Soon Alice was called to a trial in the great courtroom. The Knave of Hearts was accused of stealing some tarts. The King sat on the throne, and the White Rabbit read the charges. "Sentence first, verdict afterward!" the Queen demanded, before anyone had said a word of evidence. Alice stood up. "That is not fair," she said loudly. "You cannot punish someone without proof, no matter who you are." ★ **She questioned everything because Wonderland had no ordinary rules.** The room fell silent. Alice showed everyone that asking questions is one of the bravest things we can do, and even the jury began to whisper in agreement.

THINK What did the Queen want first?

Chapter 10: Waking Up

VOCABULARY dream, woke, sister, children

All at once, the room began to spin, and the cards flew into the air like autumn leaves. Alice gave a little cry and brushed them away. Then she woke and opened her eyes. She was lying under the big tree by the river, with her head in her sister's lap, and a few dry leaves had fallen on her face. It had all been a dream! Alice sat up and told her sister about every amazing thing she had seen. Wonderland was a place where nothing followed the usual rules. ★ **Children see differently.** They notice things that adults walk past. Sometimes the youngest person in the room is the wisest one.

THINK What fell on Alice's face?

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Chapter 11: Her Sister's Wish

VOCABULARY sister, listened, wonder, children

Alice's older sister listened carefully to every strange detail: the rabbit with a watch, the grinning cat, and the Queen who painted roses. She smiled and wished she could dream such wonderful dreams. As Alice ran home for tea, her sister stayed by the river and thought. She remembered her own childhood, when every puddle was a lake and every cloud was a castle. ★ **Children see what adults often forget.** They ask why the sky is blue and where the stars go at dawn. Alice's adventure reminded her sister of her own childhood wonder, and she decided that we should never stop seeing the world through curious young eyes.

THINK What did the sister think of the puddle?

Chapter 12: Keep Asking Why

VOCABULARY adventure, ask, wonderful, world

Alice's adventure in Wonderland was over, but its lessons stayed with her. She had learned to question rules and never to accept unfair things. Grown-ups often say, "That is just how things are," without thinking about it deeply. But Alice was not afraid to ask why. She knew that a question can open a door, just like the tiny golden key. ★ **Children see what grown-ups forget: the world is wonderful.** Alice showed us that asking why is the beginning of wisdom. So let us keep our curious eyes open, notice the small marvels around us, and never stop wondering. Who knows what rabbit might run past tomorrow?

THINK What did the author compare a question to?