

Inspire Your Reader: Spark a Conversation!

BRANCHES books, which bridge the gap between leveled readers and early chapter books, now include thought-provoking questions at the end of each book! Subversively educational, these questions check for your reader's understanding alongside illustrations and favorite characters.

Included here are the questions that correspond to each of the **BRANCHES** books – use them to engage your child in a conversation about what they have read and to reinforce their critical thinking skills.

With these questions for each book, you can guide your young reader in:

- Identifying key ideas and details
- Understanding craft and structure
- Building foundational skills through phonics, word recognition, and fluency
- Acquiring new vocabulary

Happy reading with **BRANCHES!**

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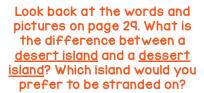




How much do you know about

All Paws on Deck?

Reread page 5. <u>Sale</u> and <u>sail</u> are homophones. These words sound the same, but are spelled differently and have different meanings. What are the meanings of <u>sale</u> and <u>sail</u>?



Look back at pages 33-34. What does "a $\underline{\mathbf{I}}$ in the trail" mean?

Why do Haggis and Tank dig in different places?

Would you want to be a captain or a first mate? Explain your answer using words and pictures.







How much do you know about

Digging for Dinos?

Look at the pictures and words on pages 18 and 19. What is happening?



Why do Haggis and Tank play "musical eggs"?





Why is the lava freezing when it touches Haggis and Tank?

Choose a dinosaur. Draw pictures and write words to describe a game it might be good at based on its physical appearance.



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