

PRINT, TRIM, AND GLUE INTO READING LOG DIRECTLY AFTER 1ST SET OF *F.T.M.* ANSWERS!

Freak the Mighty

Study and Discussion Questions - Chapters 10-15

Answer the questions below in blue or black ink, in complete sentences on a separate sheet of paper.

Restate the question in your answer.

You will glue answers into your reading log **AFTER** they are graded.

1. What are some reasons, besides being dyslexic, disabled, lazy, or stubborn that someone might have difficulty learning? Explain in detail, including an example.
2. Define foreshadowing. What is the example of foreshadowing at the end of chapter 10? How do you know? Explain.
3. Kevin and Max both have had bad experiences related to their fathers, yet they handle the hurt in different ways. How does each cope with their hurt? Explain in detail.
4. Write a paragraph describing Kevin as he uses a particular lifeskill. Be sure to include a topic sentence, evidence (supporting example(s) in the form of quoted passages), a lead-in or introduction for the evidence, and explanation of the evidence. End the paragraph with commentary that makes clear how the evidence and explanation supports the claim that Freak often displays that lifeskill.

(Passages for Discussion/Debate Only)

Read over and be prepared to discuss/debate all of the following passages. You do not need to answer the following questions in written form!

1. On page 56 Max reflects, “You ever notice how long it takes for things to happen when you know they’re supposed to happen?” Think of a time when it took a long time for something to happen that was supposed to happen.
2. On page 74 Max reveals, “...I tie up the laces and that makes Gram happy. Which is funny sometimes, how little it takes to make her happy, except you can’t really figure it out until you’ve already done it.” Do you have a relative or friend who is like Gram in this way? Or, do you know someone that it takes only a little to make **angry**, but you can’t really figure it out until you’ve already done it?
3. On page 75, as Grim and Gram prepare to allow Max to accompany Kevin to the advanced classes, Gram says, “Let’s give it a try, nothing else has worked, maybe what he needs is a friend, that’s the one thing he’s never had with all those special teachers.” Think of your best year ever in school. Who was it that made it happen- your parents? a friend or friends? a special teacher? something else?
4. Max, quoting Freak, says, “Reading is just a way of listening, and I could always listen, but writing is like talking, and that’s a whole other ball game.” (p82). Do you agree or disagree with these definitions of reading and writing? Explain.
5. On page 90, Grim state that he has an obligation to protect his family. Gram replies, “Not with a gun... Not in this house! I won’t have it... He’ll come in here and he’ll take that gun away from you, and then he’ll do the shooting.” Consider your position on handguns. Are you for or against having them in the home? Explain.