

Bloom's Taxonomy

Discussion Questions for Teachers and Book Clubs

Book: Fearless by Kristin F. Johnson

Note: These questions are based on Bloom's Taxonomy of the cognitive domain and the six different ways people learn.

CREATE

Rewrite a scene from a different character's point of view.

Write a new scene showing Jessie trying to train the dog.

Go to the library and research laws in your state. How many dogs someone can own in their house or apartment?

If someone is a dog breeder, what are the laws about owning and housing the dogs?

EVALUATE

Was Jessie stealing the dog from the puppy mill acceptable? Why or why not? Try and argue one side or the other even if you don't agree.

Why do Jessie and her dad move to St. Peter for the summer?

What does Jessie's dad do for a living?

ANALYZE

What do Dusty the dog and Sam the soldier have in common?

What about Sam and Jessie's grandpa?

How do people in town react when they hear a storm is coming?

APPLY

Draw a picture of your favorite scene from the book. (grades 3 and 4)

Draw a picture of the puppy mill.

Math question:

If Jessie has \$10, which bag of dog food can she afford? How much change will she get?

Dog food options: \$8.50, \$12.99, \$19.99.

If sales tax is 7%, how much will the dog food cost for each bag?

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UNDERSTAND

Why is Dusty nervous around people? What clues do you see that show how the dog might be feeling?

Why does Sam react the way he does to the fireworks?

Why can't Jessie's dad write the story about the puppy mill dogs' rescue?

REMEMBER

Summarize a scene from the book. What happened? Why was it memorable? Include as many details as you recall.

What does Jessie bring with her when she and her dad move to Grandpa's? List as many items as you recall.

List people Jessie meets along her journey.

BONUS

Community

PTSD

Stealing

Weather

Rescue Animals

Military

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Knowledge – naming info – names of clouds

Comprehension – What does Jessie struggle with throughout the story?

Application --

Analysis

Synthesis

Evaluation

Show what might happen – prediction – what types of things might Jessie deal with in having a troubled dog?

What will the town need to do after the storm damage?

Inference?