

The Island of Dr. Libris by Chris Gabenstein

Answer the following questions in complete sentences after you have finished reading the chapter “chunks.” Do not wait until you have read the entire book to answer these questions. Feel free to type your answers (not required) and put them in a folder to be turned in on the first day of school.

Chapters 1-5

1. Why does Dr. Libris consider Billy to be the perfect test subject?
2. How are Billy’s parents different?
3. How would you feel if there were security cameras all over the place in the cabin you were renting? Why?
4. Do you think Billy will visit the island? Would you? Why or why not?
5. Who is Alyssa?
6. How does Billy ruin his iPhone?
7. Describe Nick Farkas.
8. Based on what you have read so far, what are some words that you would use to describe Billy?
9. Do you think Billy will find the key? Where do you think it will be?
10. Describe the bookcase.

Chapters 6-10

1. How does Billy find the key?
2. What happens when Billy begins reading about Hercules?
3. What is Billy’s mother researching, according to Chapter nine?
4. Do you think Billy should explore the island? Explain.

Chapters 11-15

1. Do you think Billy handled Nick Farkas well? How would you have handled this situation Billy finds himself in at the beginning of Chapter 11?
2. Whom does Billy meet in chapter 12? What is his problem?
3. How does Billy help Hercules defeat Antaeus?
4. Whom does Billy meet at the end of chapter 14?
5. Who is Sir William of Goat?
6. Who is the enemy of Robin Hood and Maid Marian?

Chapters 16-20

1. Why do Robin Hood and Hercules fight?
2. Who threatens Billy? What does Billy do?
3. According to Lab Note #320, what is Dr. Libris planning?

4. In chapter 18, what message does Billy find?
5. Why does Billy want to find money?
6. Whom does Billy meet when he leaves the island? Should Billy trust him? Explain.
7. What does Walter tell Billy about the bookcase?
8. What happens when Walter and Billy take a shortcut through the woods?
9. How does Billy escape the bullies? Do you think he should have given away the pie? Would you have? Explain.

Chapters 21-25

1. What happens when Billy reads *The Three Musketeers*? Were you surprised? Explain.
2. How did the Musketeers come to life?
3. What do you think Theta Waves could be used for?
4. Which book do Walter and Billy choose to help them find the treasure? Why?

Chapters 26-30

1. What goes wrong with Walter's sleeping spell?
2. Who comes to life in Chapter 27?
3. Should Billy go home where he is safe, or does he have a responsibility to help the characters he brought to life? Explain.
4. How do Robin Hood and Hercules outwit and outplay the Sheriff of Nottingham?
5. Do you think Billy and Walter are having fun on their adventures on the island? Explain.

Chapter 31-35

1. Did anything change in the Robin Hood book after their adventure?
2. What book does Billy read next?
3. What did Walter A. do with the pie that is important to the story according to Lab Note 322? Why do you think this is important to the story?
4. How does Alyssa persuade Billy and Walter to take her to the island?
5. Who is picnicking with Alyssa? Do you think this is a good idea? Explain.
6. Why did Billy bring to life a prehistoric monster?
7. How does Billy bring the "Sharkodile" to life? Who helps him out of the cave?
8. How do Hercules and Robin tame the sharkodile?
9. How do the Musketeers react when Hercules and Robin save them from the sharkodile?
10. What kind of book does Billy need to read to bring the treasure to life?

Chapters 36-40

1. According to Lab Note #323, where is Dr. Libris moving? Do you think this is good or bad? Why?
2. What does Nick tell Billy in Chapter 37?
3. Describe the giant. Is he scary? Why or why not?
4. What does the giant accuse the giant of doing?
5. How does Billy track Jack?
6. What present does Billy's dad bring? Do you think Billy will care more about the present than the island?

Chapters 41-45

1. How does Billy respond to his dad's news?
2. What does Billy's dad tell him in Chapter 42?
3. What happened to Walter in Chapter 43?
4. How is Walter rescued in Chapter 45?

Chapters 46-50

1. How does Walter escape?
2. Whom does Billy ask for help? Why?
3. What does Billy bring to life in Chapter 49?
4. Why do you think Billy erased Nick Farkas's memory?
5. What is Billy going to use the time machine for? Do you think this plan will work? Explain.
6. What is the love potion for?
7. Do you think it is wrong for Billy and Walter to lie about a sprained ankle? Explain.

Chapters 51-55

1. Who appears at the end of Chapter 51? Do you think he will ruin Billy's plan to save his parents' marriage? Why or why not?
2. Do you think Dr. Libris should ask Billy's mind to make up things? Explain.
3. What happens when Dr. Libris turns off the dome?
4. Where do Billy and Walter go at the end of Chapter 53?
5. Do you think Billy regrets sending his parents back in time? Explain.
6. Do you agree with Billy's decision to let his parents make their own choices? Explain.
7. How does Billy get his parents to return?

Chapter 56 and Epilogue

1. Who returns in Chapter 56? How does Billy get rid of him?
2. Why does Billy decide that he doesn't need to find the buried treasure anymore?

