

Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt

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Discussion Questions

Below is a series of questions for discussion about *Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt*. Discuss your answers with a friend or family member.

Young Jack was a good friend to Clara. Do you have a friend like Jack? What is the nicest thing your friend has done for you?

Do you think that Jack and Clara are going to be friends when they're older?



Aunt Rachel taught Clara to sew quilts, which was a fun activity for her. Do you have an activity that you like doing? Who taught you?

If you were to sew a quilt, what would you put on it? Remember that what you put on the quilt should have a special meaning to you.

Story Questions

Below are some questions about the book, each with four possible answers. Which answer do you think is best?

Where was Clara's favorite place to go where she drew a picture in the dirt with a twig?

- a. The big house
- b. The little hill that overlooks cabins and fields
- c. The field
- d. North Farm

What was the name of Clara's aunt who taught her to sew quilts?

- a. Anna
- b. Sarah
- c. Rachel
- d. Mary

Clara's aunt told her about the North Star. Where did it take them?

- a. Canada
- b. Texas
- c. Space
- d. North Farm

What did Aunt Rachel ask of Clara before she left?

- a. To light a candle
- b. To give her a hug
- c. To brush her hair
- d. To cover her with Clara's quilt

How old is Clara?

- a. 11
- b. 12
- c. 7
- d. 22

Math Questions

In *Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt* there are beautiful pictures of chickens, cows, frogs, cabins, trees, and much more. Below are some basic math problems about some of the pictures in the book.



How many chickens
do you see?

Chickens

How many cows do
you see?

Cows



How many chickens and cows are
there if you add them together?

_____ + _____ = _____
Chickens Cows Total



How many squares are
on the freedom quilt?

 Squares

How many squares would there be if
the bottom four squares were cut off?

_____ - _____ = _____