

## Bingo board questions Year 6

Kensuke's Kingdom  
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**Before you start reading:**

**PREDICT**

Look at the front cover, can you predict what might happen in the story by using the pictures for clues?

**PREDICT**

Now read the blurb, have your predictions changed?

What does the word kingdom mean to you?

The blurb states that Michael is left food and water. Predict who might have put it there.

**Now start reading**

**Chapter 1**

**VOCABULARY**

What word on Page 4 means 'can't be argued with'?

What does the phrase 'more times than you've had hot dinners' mean?

**RETRIEVE**

How old was the main character when he was sworn to secrecy?

What does dad call Michael's school? Why?

**Chapter 2**

**VOCABULARY**

What word on Page 19 means lazy?

What is a 'talisman'?

**INFER**

Why wouldn't being dry last long?

Why would Michael hope they forget about the schoolwork?

**Chapter 3**

**VOCABULARY**

What word on page 32 means 'sent away to'?

Find a phrase on Page 36 that shows it was urgent to rescue Stella quickly.

### EXPLAIN

Explain why there are many more short sentences in these extracts.

Explain why Michael is so excited to stay in Africa for a couple of weeks.

### Chapter 4

#### VOCABULARY

What phrase on Page 46 shows that Michael could see nothing?  
What does surreptitious mean?

#### SUMMARISE

Summarise this chapter in fifty words or less.

### Chapter 5

#### VOCABULARY

'The appalling implications of my wretched predicament' – explain this phrase.

What word on Page 78 means 'put off'?

#### RETRIEVE

Why is the man so annoyed?

Why did Michael never save the red bananas?

### Chapter 6

#### VOCABULARY

What phrase on Page 86 shows that Michael spent all morning worrying?

What does 'nonchalantly' mean?

#### INFER

Why does Michael keep his beacon secret from Kensuke?

Why does Michael hope his parents haven't seen the storm?

### Chapter 7

#### VOCABULARY

What phrase on Page 104 shows that the orang-utans respect Kensuke?

What does 'conspiratorially' mean?

### EXPLAIN

Explain how you know Kensuke has been there a long time.  
Explain why Kensuke laughs when Michael tries to draw the jellyfish.

### Chapter 8

#### VOCABULARY

What word on Page 123 means 'killed'?  
What phrase on Page 129 shows that Michael feels bad?

#### RETRIEVE

Who made the boat?  
Where did Kensuke get all of his supplies?

### Chapter 9

#### VOCABULARY

What does reproached mean?  
What phrase on Page 135 shows that Michael feels better?

#### INFER

Why does Tomodachi come to Kensuke?  
What did the orang-utans think of the football game?

### Chapter 10

#### VOCABULARY

What words on the first two pages show how bad the rain was?  
What words on Page 153 portray Kensuke's sadness?

### EXPLAIN

Explain why you think Kensuke was less restless waiting for a boat than Michael.  
Explain why Kensuke doesn't want Michael to mention the island for ten years.

**Now you have finished reading:**

#### SUMMARISE

Can you summarise each chapter in just one sentence?

Can you summarise the whole story in just 10 words?