Writing Prompts

Chapter 1

In complete sentences choose a character introduced in the first chapter and describe them.

Chapter 2

In complete sentences explain how the children found the secret door and choose a vocabulary word that describes their actions.

Chapter 3

Explain in complete sentences why Jane felt uneasy about the Withers.

Chapter 4

Describe Mr. Hastings and explain why Jane's encounter with him made her feel uneasy.

Chapter 5

In complete sentences explain why the Grey House was broken into.

Chapter 6

Summarize in complete sentences what this chapter was about and why it was important to the story.

Chapter 7

Explain in complete sentences 3 significant events that happened during this chapter. 1. Miss Withers found out about the map; 2. the children figured out the clue; 3. Mr. Hastings is in on the conspiracy

Chapter 8

The story is consistently describing Great-Uncle Merry as mysterious and ancient. Who do you think he is and what is his role?

Chapter 9

In complete sentences and using examples from the book, list the evidence that proves Mrs. Palk is one of the enemies.

Chapter 10

In complete sentences and in your own words summarize what happened in this chapter.

Chapter 11

Explain in complete sentences and with complete ideas why the children shouldn't have split up as they did to find Gumerry and Mrs. Palk.

Chapter 12

In complete sentences explain why Mr. Hastings reacted the way he did when Barney said, "in the name of King Arthur, and the old world before the dark came."

Chapter 13

The children think they have found the correct cave that is holding the grail. Explain in complete sentences what do you predict is going to happen next?

Chapter 14

Write in complete sentences if you felt this was a good conclusion and explain what events were left undone that the author could continue in the next book of this series.