

Hurry-Up Harry

Discussion Guide

1. How would you feel if you were going to race in a go-cart derby? What would your cart look like? What kinds of decals or stencils would you put on your cart?
2. Who in the book do you most relate to? Why?
3. There are many illustrations in this book. What are your favorites? What appeals to you about them? How does the map of Pondville set up the story for you?
4. Did Harry change in this story? If so, how did he change and what caused the change?
5. What do you think of Sally and Harry's friendship? What do think about Charlie and Harry's friendship?
6. If you could have one friend from this tale, who would it be? Why?
7. Talk about Stinky's personality. What do you admire about him? Why?
8. What do the diverse residents of Pondville teach you about living close together and getting along? Did their differences cause problems? What good things did their differences bring about?
9. What would you do if Rolf or his gang were threatening you? Have you or one of your friends encountered bullying? How did you or your friend handle it?
10. There are some funny scenes in the book. Pick out your favorite.
11. What do you think will happen to the Wolf-Pack Gang after the end of this book?
12. Ludwig is an interesting character. How would you describe his personality?
13. Was there one big lesson that you took away from this book?