

The Big Sting

Name: _____



Discussion Questions

1. What is grumble-huffing? Do you know anyone who grumble-huffs? Describe how they fit this description.
2. With new experiences, Leo ventures outside of his comfort zone and discovers that he may be more than just an “armchair adventurer”. Do you think people fit just one personality type? Why or why not?
3. Leo’s grandmother was a member of the Bumpers. Who are the Bumpers and what do you think their name means?
4. Lizzie, as a lover of animals, looks up to and tries to emulate Pandora Ali, a Youtube star and professional cat rescuer. Who is your role model and why?
5. Grandpa talks about camping as a “formative experience” or “something that makes you the person you’re supposed to be” (p. 93). What experiences in your life might be considered a “formative experience”?
6. In your opinion, should Lizzie and Leo have been grounded for “exercising their right to roam”? Why or why not?
7. Hive heists are a real thing! Why do you think hive heists happen? What do you think can be done to prevent hive heists from happening?
8. Leo and his family live in the city and his grandfather lives in a rural setting. What do Leo and his family like and dislike about visiting his grandfather’s farm?
9. Leo’s grandfather uses the book “Everything Bees” to learn about taking care of beehives. What did you learn about bees from reading this story? What did you already know about bees? What questions do you have about bees and beekeeping after reading this book?