

## Worksheet

# Reading Questions

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## Last Chance Island by Norma Charles

**DIRECTIONS:** Answer each question thoroughly, and in complete sentences. Your answer for question 8 should be at least a paragraph.

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1. How are Spike's and Kalu's stories the same in the first few chapters of the book? In what ways are they different? How is your own life story similar?
2. Why does Mister Elliot allow Kalu and Aisha on his boat? Do you think he's a hero or a villain in their story? Why do you think that?
3. This story is told from multiple points of view, with different characters offering versions of the events. Did you like this? Whose point of view and style of thinking/speaking did you like the most? Why?
4. Spike steals her aunt's boat—and discovers and helps Kalu and Aisha because of it. What would you have done the same or differently if you were Spike?
5. The author mentions Spike's pocket watch and Kalu's flute several times in the story. Why did she choose to include these details? What do you value enough to carry everywhere with you?
6. This book is called *Last Chance Island*. In what way does it represent a last chance for Spike? Kalu and Aisha? Aunt Maureen? If you were sent to the island, what would your "last chance" be?
7. Rate this book out of 10  
0 = lowest (You'd rather go live on an island with no Wi-Fi than read this book.)  
10 = highest (This book made you want to go live in a lighthouse on an island.)
8. Why did you give this book the above score? Questions to consider:
  - What was your favourite part (or scene) in the book? Why?
  - Who was your favourite character? Why?
  - Was the vocabulary easy, hard, or just right?
  - Did you learn any new or interesting words?
  - Did you like the cover?
  - What is the overall feeling the book left you with? (Happiness, excitement, sense of adventure, sadness, or . . . ?)