

## Rising 5th Grade Summer Reading

Title: *Crispin: The Cross of Lead*

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### Directions:

1. Read the book.
2. Answer the 25 multiple choice questions as you read.
3. After reading, complete the "Summary Snapshots" page.
  - Choose the 6 most important events in the book, making sure you include the beginning, middle, and end.
  - Think of a 1-4 word caption for each event. Write this caption next to the hashtag for each snapshot.
  - Events should appear on this page in the order they occur in the book.
  - Finally, illustrate each caption in the snapshot box provided. Be creative and use color!
  - Make sure that your work is neat, presented as a final product.

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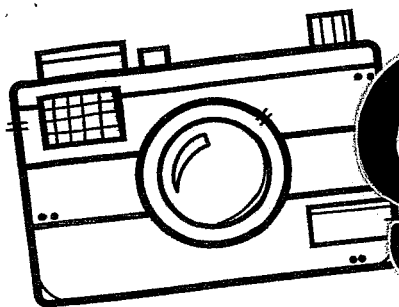
Please circle your answer.

1. Who wrote this book?
  - a. Avi
  - b. Davi
  - c. William Shakespeare
  - d. Christopher Marlowe
2. The country in which the story takes place is...
  - a. Italy
  - b. France
  - c. Germany
  - d. England
3. This story takes place during what historical time period?
  - a. The Black Death
  - b. The Medieval Period
  - c. The Renaissance
  - d. The Roman Empire
4. Who did Crispin see in the woods when he woke up from hitting his head?
  - a. John Aycliffe
  - b. Bear
  - c. John Aycliffe and Bear
  - d. John Aycliffe and a stranger
5. What does it mean to be declared a wolf's head?
  - a. You're not human, and anyone can kill you.
  - b. You are very hungry and will eat anything.
  - c. You have killed a priest.
  - d. You have stolen money from the manor and need to escape.
6. According to Asta, how does Crispin's father die?
  - a. From the plague
  - b. Hung for heresy
  - c. Thrown on soldier's swords
  - d. Hunted down by an angry mob

7. Who attended Asta's funeral?
  - a. Crispin and Father Quinel
  - b. Crispin and Cerdic
  - c. Cerdic and John Aycliffe
  - d. Crispin and John Aycliffe
8. At first, Crispin is accused of
  - a. refusing to pay the death tax.
  - b. attempting to run away from Stromford Village.
  - c. stealing wine from the church for his sick mother.
  - d. stealing money from the manor house.
9. In the abandoned church when they first met, Bear made Crispin swear an oath to.....
  - a. learn to sing and play music.
  - b. be Bear's servant.
  - c. tell the truth about his past.
  - d. always make Bear's dinner and carry Bear's things.
10. Bear is involved with two different jobs. What are they?
  - a. being a priest and a juggler
  - b. being a singer and a chef
  - c. being a spy and a juggler
  - d. being a spy and a priest
11. Bear and Crispin are on their way to.....
  - a. Great Wexly.
  - b. Stromford Village.
  - c. London.
  - d. anywhere far away from John Aycliffe.
12. After Bear forced Crispin to look at himself in the stream, Bear challenged him to
  - a. imagine himself as a grown man.
  - b. take away the years of dirt, neglect, and servitude.
  - c. think about what it would be like to be Furnival's son.
  - d. accept that he would never succeed in life.
13. Before they entered Great Wexly, Bear told Crispin he cared for him and asks to the boy to
  - a. be his apprentice.
  - b. introduce himself as his son.
  - c. swear a sacred oath to never leave his side.
  - d. join the brotherhood.

14. We discover that John Aycliffe is related to....
  - a. Lord Furnival.
  - b. Lady Furnival.
  - c. Crispin.
  - d. Asta.
15. Early in the story, Crispin is surprised to learn that....
  - a. he has another brother.
  - b. his father is alive.
  - c. his father was a priest.
  - d. his mother could read and write.
16. Bear is heading to Great Wexly because....
  - a. he wants to visit his friend, Widow Daventry.
  - b. he hopes to make a lot of money in such a big city.
  - c. he has plans to meet his "brotherhood" there.
  - d. he thinks it would be nice for Crispin to see such a big city.
17. Bear and Crispin make it through the Bishop's Gate by....
  - a. singing and dancing.
  - b. pretending to be ill.
  - c. showing Crispin's cross of lead to the soldiers.
  - d. putting a hood over Crispin's head.
18. Why was the room that Widow Daventry rented to Bear a special room?
  - a. The room was larger than the other rooms.
  - b. The room was right off of the kitchen, so that they could always get food.
  - c. The room had another door to escape.
  - d. The room had a hidden compartment so that they could hide.
19. Who sees Crispin in the church at Great Wexly?
  - a. Bear
  - b. Widow Daventry
  - c. Lady Furnival
  - d. John Aycliffe
20. Where do Bear and Crispin stay in Great Wexly?
  - a. The Red Lady Tavern
  - b. The Green Man Tavern
  - c. The Purple Dolphin Inn
  - d. The Blue Bear Inn

21. What important information does Lady Daventry tell Crispin?
- a. John Aycliffe is Crispin's father, and that is why he wants him dead.
  - b. Crispin is Lord Furnival's illegitimate son and is an heir to the throne; this is why John Aycliffe wants him dead.
  - c. Crispin is John Aycliffe's nephew and will soon be King.
  - d. Lord Furnival is Asta's father, so Furnival is Crispin's grandfather.
22. What is written on Asta's cross of lead?
- a. Crispin son of Furnival
  - b. Crispin Asta's son
  - c. Asta is Royalty
  - d. Crispin son of Aycliffe
23. How did John Aycliffe die?
- a. He was killed by Crispin.
  - b. Bear chopped off his head.
  - c. He was thrown into a soldier's sword.
  - d. The soldiers went against Aycliffe.
24. Where does the cross of lead end up at the end of the book?
- a. Crispin leaves it on John Aycliffe's dead body.
  - b. Crispin gives it to John Ball.
  - c. Bear takes it for safekeeping.
  - d. John Aycliffe returns it to Lord Furnival.
25. What is the theme of this book?
- a. Government leaders are often corrupt.
  - b. People can choose their own destiny.
  - c. The Black Death was a horrible disease.
  - d. The Middle Ages was an exciting time to live.



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# Summary SNAPSHOTS

Directions: Summarize the main points of the text using detailed illustrations. Use hashtags as the captions.

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