

Grades 7-8 Comprehension Questions and Activities



Fiction	Non-Fiction
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Was the title appropriate for the context of the audiobook? Why or why not? • Think of a gift you would give a character in the audiobook. What would you give and why? • What kind of person is the main character? Give evidence • Did the main character change during the audiobook? How? • What did the author do to make the audiobook interesting or funny? • What connections can you make between the characters and your life? • What is the main idea or message? • What figurative language was used? • How did the language used in the audiobook add to your enjoyment or understanding? • Did the author give any foreshadowing? • What time period did the audiobook take place? How do you know? • What did you think of the audiobook? • How has the main character’s perspective changed throughout the audiobook? • Has your perspective as a reader changed throughout the text? • Are social issues and cultural groups represented accurately? • What are the points of view of the characters and the narrator? • Where and how did the author use symbolism? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What information are you looking to gain from listening to this audiobook? • What predictions can you make after listening to the beginning? • What new words did you hear? Look them up • Does this topic remind you of anything in your life? • Have any of your ideas about the topic changed after listening to the audiobook? • How does the author make this topic interesting? • What did you notice about the language used in the audiobook? Did it add to your enjoyment or understanding? • How did the layout/organization of the audiobook help your understanding? • What is the author’s purpose for writing this? • Why is the topic/event significant? • What conclusions can you make from the information? • What questions do you have about the topic now? • What qualifications does the author have to write an informational text?
Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior to listening, make predictions about the audiobook based on the title • Write the next chapter of the audiobook (at least 3 paragraphs) • Write a recommendation to a friend about why they would enjoy this audiobook • List the places in the audiobook that are important. Make a map of them • Make a timeline of the events in the audiobook • Pick one of the main characters and draw a shape that fits their traits. Write 3 reasons why you chose this shape. • Create a crossword puzzle using 10 words from the audiobook • Write a song and/or rap about the audiobook • Perform a skit/play about the audiobook 	