

THE BEACON KEEPERS



FIRST LIGHT

ACCELERATED READER SUPPORT MATERIALS

Quiz Sets A & B



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ACCELERATED READER QUIZ SUPPORT

Lordsburg Press provides two teacher-made quiz templates for *The Beacon Keepers: First Light* that educators may manually enter through the Renaissance Accelerated Reader Teacher-Made Quiz system, if their school uses that feature.

Set A focuses on plot recall and key story events. This is the stronger option for an AR-style reading comprehension check.

Set B focuses on character moments, belonging, trust, integrity, and emotional turning points. This set is best used as a classroom reflection quiz, discussion check, or companion activity after reading.

Both sets follow the Teacher-Made Quiz format: 10 multiple-choice questions with four answer choices each. Teachers and librarians should follow their school or district’s AR procedures when creating or assigning teacher-made quizzes.

BOOK METADATA

Title	The Beacon Keepers: First Light
Author	G.M. Samuelson
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ATOS Book Level	4.60 (Official — Confirmation #3164259)
AR Points	6.0
Word Count	40,024
Interest Level	MG (Middle Grades, Grades 4–8)
Quiz Length	10 questions
Fiction / Nonfiction	Fiction
Topic / Subject	Leadership, Friendship, Belonging, Self-Discovery

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These materials are provided by Lordsburg Press as optional companion resources for *The Beacon Keepers: First Light*. They are designed to support classroom, library, homeschool, family, and small-group conversations around the themes of the book, including trust, teamwork, integrity, student voice, purpose, and responsible leadership.

These resources are not a formal curriculum, clinical program, counseling tool, psychological assessment, or substitute for professional judgment. Educators, librarians, parents, and facilitators should adapt questions and activities based on student age, readiness, classroom culture, district policy, and local requirements.

Some prompts may invite personal reflection. Students should never be required to share private experiences. They may respond from their own experience, from a character’s experience, or through a general “someone might” example.

QUIZ DESIGN NOTES - SET A: PLOT RECALL

Quiz Set	Set A — Plot Recall (plot-event and principle-recall questions)
Question types	10 questions formatted for Renaissance Teacher-Made Quiz entry
Passing threshold	60% (6 of 10 correct)
Character limit	All fields verified within 200-character limit
Answer display	Answer choices (correct and incorrect) appear in random order when students take the quiz

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READING PRACTICE QUIZ - SET A: PLOT RECALL

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Enter each question below into the Renaissance AR Teacher-Made Quiz system using the corresponding fields. The Correct Answer is highlighted.

Question 1 (Ch. 1)

Question Prompt *

How does Jada know that the note in Leo’s locker is real and not a prank?

73 / 200

Correct Answer *

She identifies engineer’s paper and handwriting that has been practiced

82 / 200

Incorrect Answers

She recognizes Ziggy’s voice from a phone call the week before

62 / 200

She finds a matching note in her own locker

43 / 200

She asks a teacher who confirms Ziggy sent it

45 / 200

Question 2 (Ch. 1)

Question Prompt *

According to Ziggy, what are the three parts of every lighthouse?

65 / 200

Correct Answer *

The beacon, the foundation, and the shoreline

45 / 200

Incorrect Answers

The lens, the tower, and the keeper

35 / 200

The light, the walls, and the door

34 / 200

The flame, the glass, and the rock

34 / 200

Question 3 (Ch. 1)

Question Prompt *

What does Ziggy tell the kids is the difference between Ethan's approach and real leadership?

93 / 200

Correct Answer *

Leading and looking important are not the same thing

52 / 200

Incorrect Answers

Ethan's team has better equipment

33 / 200

Ethan's team works harder than everyone else

44 / 200

Ethan cares more about winning than other teams do

50 / 200

Question 4 (Ch. 1)

Question Prompt *

What does Ziggy give Leo at the Skate & Drone shop?

51 / 200

Correct Answer *

A cracked compass with a scuffed brass case

43 / 200

Incorrect Answers

A brand-new notebook for taking notes

37 / 200

A lighthouse model made of wood

31 / 200

A skateboard with a custom design

33 / 200

Question 5 (Ch. 5)

Question Prompt *

When Max finds Maya alone in a room at school, what is she upset about?

71 / 200

Correct Answer *

A clay bowl she made for her mom broke into pieces

50 / 200

Incorrect Answers

She failed a test she studied hard for

38 / 200

Her best friend moved to a different school

43 / 200

She was not picked for the science fair team

44 / 200

Question 6 (Ch. 6)

Question Prompt *

Who suggests the name "The Beacon Keepers" for the group?

57 / 200

Correct Answer *

Amil, who says they are people who tend the light so others can find their way

78 / 200

Incorrect Answers

Leo, because it matches the compass Ziggy gave him

50 / 200

Ziggy, because he wants them to tend the lighthouse

51 / 200

Max, because he thinks it sounds cool

37 / 200

Question 7 (Ch. 4)

Question Prompt *

What values does the team choose as their foundation?

53 / 200

Correct Answer *

Integrity, respect, and connection

34 / 200

Incorrect Answers

Speed, innovation, and excellence

33 / 200

Honesty, bravery, and loyalty

29 / 200

Teamwork, creativity, and ambition

34 / 200

Question 8 (Ch. 11–12)

Question Prompt *

When the team discovers that Amil accessed district data he should not have seen, what do they decide to do?

108 / 200

Correct Answer *

Disclose the access themselves and bring a correction plan to the principal

75 / 200

Incorrect Answers

Delete the data and pretend nothing happened

44 / 200

Ask Ziggy to talk to the principal for them

43 / 200

Wait to see if anyone notices before taking action

50 / 200

Question 9 (Ch. 12)

Question Prompt *

What word does Dr. Martinez use to describe the structured support she provides the team?

89 / 200

Correct Answer *

Scaffolding

11 / 200

Incorrect Answers

Coaching

8 / 200

Mentoring

9 / 200

Training

8 / 200

Question 10 (Ch. 20)

Question Prompt *

What happens to the Beacon Keepers at the state competition?

60 / 200

Correct Answer *

They do not win but receive a special recognition from the Department of Education

82 / 200

Incorrect Answers

They win first place and receive a trophy

41 / 200

They are disqualified because of the data incident

50 / 200

They tie with Ethan's team and share the award

46 / 200

ANSWER KEY - SET A: PLOT RECALL

#	Correct Answer	Ch.
1	She identifies engineer's paper and handwriting that has been practiced many times	Ch. 1
2	The beacon, the foundation, and the shoreline	Ch. 1
3	Leading and looking important are not the same thing	Ch. 1
4	A cracked compass with a scuffed brass case	Ch. 1
5	A clay bowl she made for her mom broke into pieces	Ch. 5
6	Amil, who says they are people who tend the light so others can find their way	Ch. 6
7	Integrity, respect, and connection	Ch. 4
8	Disclose the access themselves and bring a correction plan to the principal	Ch. 11-12
9	Scaffolding	Ch. 12
10	They do not win but receive a special recognition from the Department of Education	Ch. 20

MANUSCRIPT VERIFICATION - SET A: PLOT RECALL

Every question and answer has been verified against the ATOS-analyzed proof manuscript (Confirmation #3164259).

#	Manuscript Text Reference
1	<i>Jada: "Engineer's paper. It's written fast, but clearly practiced."</i>
2	<i>Ziggy taps the top ("The beacon"), the base ("The foundation"), and drags his finger along the shoreline.</i>
3	<i>Ziggy: "Leading and looking important are not the same thing."</i>
4	<i>"A compass. The brass case was scuffed and peppered with dents. Its glass was cracked."</i>
5	<i>"What had probably been a bowl lay in ruins." / Maya: "It was for my mom."</i>
6	<i>Amil: "The Beacon Keepers." / "People who tend the light so others can find their way."</i>
7	<i>Jada: "Our foundation stays the same. Integrity. Respect. Connection."</i>
8	<i>"The Beacon Keepers would walk into Monday with the truth in their hands."</i>
9	<i>Dr. Martinez: "It's called scaffolding. You are trying to do work that matters."</i>
10	<i>"The Beacon Keepers did not win state." / "special recognition for innovative student leadership"</i>

QUIZ DESIGN NOTES - SET B: CHARACTER & BELONGING EDITION

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READING PRACTICE QUIZ - SET B: CHARACTER & BELONGING EDITION

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Question 1 (Ch. 1)

Question Prompt *

What three things does Ziggy say he noticed about Leo, Jada, and Max before he invited them?

92 / 200

Correct Answer *

Leo straightens desks, Jada draws the kids nobody else notices, Max makes bench warmers feel like starters

101 / 200

Incorrect Answers

Leo wins debates, Jada paints murals, and Max coaches basketball

64 / 200

Leo gets the best grades, Jada reads the most books, and Max is the most popular

80 / 200

Leo organizes his locker, Jada volunteers at the library, and Max runs the fastest mile

87 / 200

Question 2 (Ch. 1)

Question Prompt *

When Jada asks Ziggy “What if you’re wrong about us?” what does Ziggy say?

74 / 200

Correct Answer *

He would rather bet on kids who ask that question than kids who think they have all the answers

95 / 200

Incorrect Answers

He is never wrong about people because he watches them carefully

64 / 200

He doesn’t know yet, and that is what makes it exciting

55 / 200

He tells her not to worry because everything will work out

58 / 200

Question 3 (Ch. 2)

Question Prompt *

When Carmen is upset because a boy said girls won’t make the soccer team, what does Max tell her?

97 / 200

Correct Answer *

She should go to tryouts no matter what

39 / 200

Incorrect Answers

She should tell a teacher about what happened

45 / 200

She should find a different sport to play

41 / 200

She should ignore the boy and forget about it

45 / 200

Question 4 (Ch. 2)

Question Prompt *

What does Jada’s grandmother Nai Nai tell her about seeing other people?

72 / 200

Correct Answer *

Sometimes the person who needs to be seen is Jada herself

57 / 200

Incorrect Answers

Drawing people is a talent most artists never develop

53 / 200

She should spend more time drawing animals instead

50 / 200

Seeing others is good, but she should learn to draw from photographs

68 / 200

Question 5 (Ch. 3)

Question Prompt *

What does Leo's mother call his habit of building systems that help people feel welcome?

88 / 200

Correct Answer *

Care with a blueprint

21 / 200

Incorrect Answers

Being a perfectionist

21 / 200

Overthinking every situation

28 / 200

Organizing for the sake of organizing

37 / 200

Question 6 (Ch. 5)

Question Prompt *

When Max invites Maya to join the group, how does he describe it?

65 / 200

Correct Answer *

A place where people are allowed to be unfinished

49 / 200

Incorrect Answers

A team where everyone has to prove themselves first

51 / 200

A club where they win competitions and get awards

49 / 200

A group that only accepts students with perfect grades

54 / 200

Question 7 (Ch. 6)

Question Prompt *

After helping set up the room, Maya says "This is what belonging feels like." What does she mean?

97 / 200

Correct Answer *

She helped make the place, and she's not just in the room — she matters to the room

83 / 200

Incorrect Answers

She has never been part of any group before

43 / 200

She finally found a room big enough for her projects

52 / 200

She likes the furniture arrangement better than the cafeteria

61 / 200

Question 8 (Ch. 11)

Question Prompt *

After the integrity crisis, what does Max tell Leo bothered him most?

69 / 200

Correct Answer *

Leo notices everything, and Leo didn't notice that Max was being left out

73 / 200

Incorrect Answers

Max thought the project was getting too complicated

51 / 200

Max wanted Leo to let him lead the team instead

47 / 200

Max was upset that Amil got more attention than him

51 / 200

Question 9 (Ch. 12)

Question Prompt *

What does Dr. Martinez say is the reason the Beacon Keepers' work is "too exposed"?

83 / 200

Correct Answer *

Exposure is what happens when strong work outruns its support structure

71 / 200

Incorrect Answers

The team presented their data to the wrong audience

51 / 200

Other schools copied their project without permission

53 / 200

The principal shared their research before it was ready

55 / 200

Question 10 (Ch. 20)

Question Prompt *

At the end of the book, Sara gives Jada a drawing. What does the drawing show?

78 / 200

Correct Answer *

Jada listening with her pencil resting on her notepad, looking like she belonged exactly where she was

94 / 200

Incorrect Answers

The Beacon Keepers standing on stage at the state competition

61 / 200

The basement room where the team first met

42 / 200

A lighthouse with three overlapping circles beneath it

54 / 200

ANSWER KEY – SET B: CHARACTER & BELONGING EDITION

#	Correct Answer	Ch.
1	Leo straightens desks, Jada draws the kids nobody notices, Max makes bench warmers feel like starters	Ch. 1
2	He would rather bet on kids who ask that question than kids who think they have all the answers	Ch. 1
3	She should go to tryouts no matter what	Ch. 2
4	Sometimes the person who needs to be seen is Jada herself	Ch. 2
5	Care with a blueprint	Ch. 3
6	A place where people are allowed to be unfinished	Ch. 5
7	She helped make the place, and she's not just in the room — she matters to the room	Ch. 6
8	Leo notices everything, and Leo didn't notice that Max was being left out	Ch. 11
9	Exposure is what happens when strong work outruns its support structure	Ch. 12
10	Jada listening with her pencil on her notepad, looking like she belonged exactly where she was	Ch. 20

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1	<i>Ziggy: "Leo, you straighten desks after class when nobody asks you. Jada, you draw the kids nobody else notices."</i>
2	<i>Ziggy: "I would still rather bet on the kids who ask that question than kids who think they have all the answers."</i>
3	<i>Max to Carmen: "You go to tryouts, no matter what."</i>
4	<i>Nai Nai: "Sometimes, person that needs to be seen, is you."</i>
5	<i>Leo's mother: "That's not just organization, son. That's care with a blueprint."</i>
6	<i>Max to Maya: "People who are allowed to be unfinished there."</i>
7	<i>Maya: "I mean it feels like I helped make the place. Like I'm not just in the room. I matter to the room."</i>
8	<i>Max: "You notice everything, Leo. That's your whole thing. And you didn't notice me."</i>
9	<i>Dr. Martinez: "Exposure is what happens when strong work outruns its support structure."</i>
10	<i>Sara's drawing: "listening, chin tilted slightly, pencil resting on her notepad, looking like she belonged exactly where she was."</i>

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