



UNIT 1: FIND YOUR BEACON

Reading Response · Comprehension, Analysis & Connection · Chapters 1-4

Name: _____ Date: _____

Directions: Read Chapters 1-4 of *The Beacon Keepers: First Light*. Answer in complete sentences, using the story to support your thinking. For the Thinking Deeper questions, point to where you found your evidence.

"Don't have to be perfect to tell the truth. Sometimes the dents are what make people believe you." — Ziggy

Prove it from the book - R.A.C.E.: Restate the question → Answer it → Cite the page → Explain your thinking.

PART 1 · UNDERSTANDING THE STORY ○

1. Observation helps us notice what others may need, understand what is happening around us, and choose how to respond with care. What three things did Ziggy notice about Leo, Jada, and Max? Write one observation in each box. (Ch. 1)

Ziggy noticed...about Leo	Ziggy noticed...about Jada	Ziggy noticed...about Max

2. Ziggy's lighthouse has three parts. Label what each part represents. (Ch. 1)

◆ **Beacon**

the part that shines out

■ **Foundation**

what holds it up

~ **Shoreline**

where the light is seen

3. How does each character discover their personal beacon? Name the moment that helps each one. (Ch. 2-4)

Character	Their beacon	The moment (+ page #)
Leo		
Jada		
Max		

PART 2 • THINKING DEEPER

Answer each question, then show where in the book you found your evidence.

1. Ziggy says, "Leading and looking important are not the same thing." What does he mean? How does the cracked compass help show this idea? (Ch. 1)

Sentence starter: *I think Ziggy means ... The cracked compass shows this because ...*

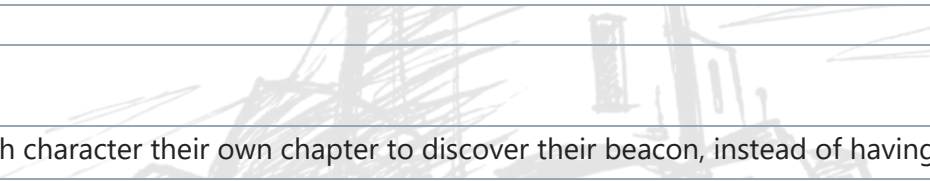


Text evidence (page #):

2. Leo talks with his mother (Ch. 3), and Jada talks with Nai Nai (Ch. 2). How do both adults help the kids without just telling them what to do?

Text evidence (page #):

3. Why do you think the author gives each character their own chapter to discover their beacon, instead of having them figure it out together?



PART 3 • CONNECTION ★

You choose how to answer: from your own experience, from a character's experience, or from what "someone might" think. You never have to share anything private.

1. Ziggy tells the kids: "Watch what you do when nobody asks. Watch what people come to you for." If you did this for one day, what might you notice about yourself?

2. Leo's mother says, "Speed is not the same thing as care." (Ch. 3) When have you seen this be true?

✓ **Before I turn this in - check yourself:**

- ☐ I answered in complete sentences.
- ☐ I used an example from the story.
- ☐ For the Thinking Deeper questions, I gave text evidence with a page number.
- ☐ I explained my thinking, not just what happened.