

Name Ruth

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Title Park's Quest

Author Katherine Paterson

Book #:

11-20

## LITERATURE CIRCLE DISCUSSION PREPARATION SHEET

Chapter(s) or pages read prior to the meeting pgs. 5 - 15

**Summary:** Tell the main idea or the events in your own words.

Park has no idea of what his father was like. Ever since his father, Parkington Waddell Broughton the fifth, has passed away in Vietnam, Park has been interested about what his father had been like.

**A Word, Please!** Record the interesting, unusual, favorite or challenging words that you come across in your reading. Define each.

perfidious - treacherous  
arrogant - showing an offensive sense of being higher than everyone

### Questioning

What questions do you have for the author?

Why did Katherine write this book? Has she experienced what Park had?

What questions do you have about your reading?

How come Park's mother doesn't want to talk about Park's dad?

**Response/Reaction to Your Reading** Choose one starter from the list below. The second starter is your choice.

It's hard to believe...

The part about \_\_\_\_\_ reminds me of \_\_\_\_\_

I would change...

I can relate to this character because ...

My favorite part(s) is (are)...

The part that makes a real picture in my mind is ...

I like how the author...

I don't like how the author...

If I had been there I would have...

If I were the character I would feel...

If I were the character, I would feel upset that I had never seen or remembered what my father was like. For example, when my grandpa passed away, I don't remember spending any time or seeing him when I was small. At this age, I always ask my parents what he was like. This is a connection Park and I have.