



# Anne of Avonlea



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## What Do *You* Think? Questions for Discussion



**H**ave you ever been around a toddler who keeps asking the question “Why?” all the time? Does your teacher call on you in class with questions from your homework? Do your parents ask you questions about your day at the dinner table? We are always surrounded by questions that need a specific response. But is it possible to have a question with no right answer?

The following questions are about the book

you just read. But this is not a quiz! They are designed to help you look at the people, places, and events in the story from different angles. These questions do not have specific answers. Instead, they might make you think of the story in a completely new way.

Think carefully about each question and enjoy discovering more about this classic story.

1. How does Anne choose to spend her warm summer day instead of reading a book of poetry? How would you like to pass such a day?

2. Anne imagines what her students will be in the future. Have you ever imagined what things will be like in the future? What do you see for yourself?

3. Dora and Davy are very different from each other. Dora is very proper and well-behaved, while Davy is always getting into trouble. Which of the two are you more like?

4. How does Anne react when she finds Dolly in the milking pen? What is the biggest mistake you've ever made?

5. How did Anne feel on her first day of school? Do you remember your first day of school? Were you nervous?

6. Gilbert values Anne's opinion, especially about important decisions. Who do you turn to when you need advice?

7. Anne calls Paul a kindred spirit. What do you think a kindred spirit is? Do you know anyone who is your kindred spirit?

8. Why does Miss Lewis call her servant Charlotta the Fourth? Do you have a nickname? Where did it come from?

9. Anne says that there are two ways of looking at the world: as nothing special or as poetry. How does Anne view the world? How do you look at it?

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

10. Why does Marilla invite Mrs. Lynde to come live with her? Do you think that she did the right thing? Have you ever helped a friend in need? What did you do to help them? Did they accept your help?