



Little Men



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What Do *You* Think? Questions for Discussion



Have 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. When Nat first arrives at Plumfield, he sees the boys entertaining themselves in a number of ways. Which seemed the most exciting to you? What do you like to do on rainy days?

2. Where does Demi say is the nicest place in the world? Why does he think this? Where do you think is the nicest place?

3. Why do Jo and Father Bhaer allow the boys a weekly pillow fight? Do you have any bedtime rituals?

4. How do Jo's boys make money? What do you do to earn extra spending money?

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

5. Mother Jo says she would like to grow some patience in her magical garden. What do the boys say they would grow? What would you grow in your magical garden?

6. How does Daisy react when Jo reveals the toy kitchen she built for her? Did you guess what the surprise was? What is your favorite toy anyone ever gave you?

7. Laurie suggests that the boys build a museum to show off their most prized possessions. Who is in charge of the museum? What would you add to such a museum?

8. Why does Dan say that he took Tommy's money? Have you ever lied to protect a friend?

9. Where do Jo's boys go when they want privacy? Where do you go when you want to be alone?

10. Nan says that she would like to be a doctor when she grows up. What would you like to be?