

Spider McDrew and the Egyptians

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Before you read the book

1. Look at the front and back covers. What do you think this is going to be about?
2. What do you know about Egyptians and Romans?

Read Chapter 1

3. Why was Spider a 'hopeless' case?
4. Why were the children going to go to the museum?
5. In two or three sentences, retell what happened in chapter 1.

Read Chapter 2

6. Why was Spider excited?
7. What did the class know about the Romans before they went into the museum?
8. What did Spider know about the Romans?
9. In two or three sentences, retell what happened in chapter 2.

Read Chapter 3

10. What did the children see in the gallery?
11. What caught Spider's attention?
12. Why didn't Spider explain he had seen something interesting?
13. In two or three sentences, retell what happened in chapter 3.

Read Chapter 4

14. Describe the statue that Spider took a closer look at.
15. How are the mummy cases described in the book?
16. In two or three sentences, retell what happened in chapter 4.

Read Chapter 5

17. What is a sarcophagus?
18. In two or three sentences, retell what happened in chapter 5.

Read Chapter 6

19. Why did Spider draw a cat at the museum?
20. What did Spider learn about the Romans at the museum?
21. Do you think that it is fair that everyone calls Spider a hopeless case? Explain.

- Complete sheet 23 about Spider McDrew.
- Draw a picture of Spider McDrew. List as many adjectives to describe him as possible.
- In pairs, Research Ancient Romans and Egyptians and create a crazy facts quiz for the rest of the class