

Sophie Washington: Hurricane

Discussion Questions

- 1. What natural occurrence frightens Sophie and her family at the beginning of the book?
- 2. Where is Granny Washington before the storm begins?
- 3. Why doesn't Sophie like Valentina Martinez?
- 4. What gift does Granny Washington bring Sophie and Cole?
- 5. Valentina has a special talent. What is it? What does Sophie think about it?
- 6. How do Sophie and Cole react when schools are closed? Do their parents feel the same way? Why or why not?
- 7. Who is left behind when the Washington's evacuate?
- 8. Sophie is initially upset when Valentina and her family join them in her father's office. What makes her have a change of heart?
- 9. How do Sophie and Valentina spend their time while staying in the dentist's office?
- 10. What happens to Cole when the family visits Natural Bridge Cavern?
- 11. How does Sophie feel when helping to clean out the Martinez home? What does her mother tell her?
- 12. By the end of the book, Sophie and Valentina are friends. Does this seem realistic to you? Why or why not?