



Pre and Post Screening Questions for:

Boathouse Detectives



Questions to discuss BEFORE seeing the film:

1. What do you think a “Boathouse Detective” is?
2. What is a ‘detective’ and how do you become one?
3. What would you do if you found a clue and someone is looking/asking for help?
4. Do you think that children could help other children as ‘detectives’?”?

Questions to discuss AFTER seeing the film:

1. How do you think Anna felt living with her stepmother?
2. How far do you think a balloon can travel with a message in it?
3. Try sending a message in a balloon but make sure that you don’t have any information that identifies the message to you - for example - write something with a message that is ‘uplifting’.
4. What kinds of weather affect how the balloon will rise and how far it will go?
5. Do you think that you could write a story with a different ending...for example - how else could Anna get out of her predicament?
6. Can you storyboard and film your own ‘detective’ movie.
7. Try to play your own detective/CSI game....have one group decide on a ‘case’ and make some clues to leave around the classroom/school. Discuss what kinds of ‘tips’ would be helpful as clues. Have another group collect the clues based on tips or hints and see if they can figure out the mystery case.
8. Play the board game ‘Clue’.