



Inspire Your Reader: Spark a Conversation!

BRANCHES books, which bridge the gap between leveled readers and early chapter books, now include thought-provoking questions at the end of each book! Subversively educational, these questions check for your reader's understanding alongside illustrations and favorite characters.

Included here are the questions that correspond to each of the **BRANCHES** books – use them to engage your child in a conversation about what they have read and to reinforce their critical thinking skills.

With these questions for each book, you can guide your young reader in:

- Identifying key ideas and details
- Understanding craft and structure
- Building foundational skills through phonics, word recognition, and fluency
- Acquiring new vocabulary

Happy reading with **BRANCHES**!

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OWL DIARIES

How much do you know about
Eva's Treetop Festival?

Name some cool owl facts.



Eva creates the word bloomtastic.
This word is made up of two real
words: bloom and fantastic. What do
you think bloomtastic means?

Does Eva think the
festival is a success?
Why or why not?



How does Eva feel about me at the
beginning of the story and at the end?
What does Eva learn about teamwork?



Would you want to take part in the
fashion show, talent show, art show, or
bake-off? Use words and pictures to
describe what you would do.



OWL DIARIES

How much do you know about
Eva Sees a Ghost?



What are some of my favorite things? What are some of my least favorite things?

How does Eva feel when her classmates don't believe her? What happens that changes the way her classmates think about the ghost?



What not-so-nice things do I do throughout this story? How do I surprise Eva?

Use examples from the book to describe the ghost that Eva sees. Then write or draw pictures to show the truth!



Create a questionnaire to learn more about your friends! Share it with them. Then talk about your discoveries!



OWL DIARIES

How much do you know about A Woodland Wedding?

Planning a wedding is hard.
What do my friends and I do to help
Miss Featherbottom?



Miss Featherbottom's necklace is
very special. Explain why the
necklace is so important to her.

Eva loves reading mystery books – and
she learns from them as well! What
does Eva learn about how to be a
detective? How does Eva use what
she learned to solve the mystery
of the missing necklace?



Why am I the only owl who is not
super excited for the wedding?



Write a diary entry about a party you've
attended. Explain the reason for the
party, describe the decorations, list the
guests, and add any other fun details!



OWL DIARIES

How much do you know about
Eva and the New Owl?



My class is excited to create the Owl Times! What are some of the newspaper jobs the owls have? Which job would you want?

Look at pages 30-31. What can you learn about Treetopolis from Eva's guide?



Reread pages 44-45. What advice does Eva's mom give her about friendships?



Why don't I want to hang out with Eva on page 53? Explain.



Write an article for the Owl Times about why your friends are important to you.

