

“Freak the Mighty” Chapter Questions

Chapter 1 and 2

- 1) Who is telling the story? Max is telling the story.
- 2) Why is Max given the nickname of Kicker while in day care? Max kicks everyone in daycare. He thinks people think he needs hugs like a medicine.
- 3) What opinion do you think Max has of himself as the story begins? Max has a very low opinion of himself as the story begins. He says he didn't have a brain until Freak came along. He calls himself a Butthead.
- 4) Whom does Max live with? Why? Max lives with Grim and Gram his mother's people (grandparents) He lives with them because his mother is dead and his father is in jail.
- 5) What happens on the first day of July in Max's neighborhood? Kevin(Freak) moves in next door.
- 6) What is Max's impression of Kevin after their first encounter in front of the duplex? Max thinks Kevin is bossy. He remembers him from preschool.

Chapter 3 and 4

- 1) Why does Max go over to Kevin's backyard? Max goes over to Kevin's backyard to retrieve the ornithopter from the tree that Kevin cannot reach.
- 2) Why does Kevin call his mother “Fair Gwen of Air”? It relates to King Arthur and Guinevere. Kevin loves all things King Arthur. Also his mother is beautiful like Guinevere.
- 3) Why is Kevin so interested in King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table? Kevin can relate to the knights and the armor. Also king Arthur was only a small boy when he became king not a giant of a man.
- 4) What is Max thinking as Gwen takes Kevin home? Max is thinking that Gwen is afraid of him.

Chapter 5 and Chapter 6

- 1) What is Max's time out? Max's time out is under his bed in his room in the “down under”.

- 2) Why does Gram come to Max's room? Gram comes to Max's room to let him know that Gwen called to apologize and invite him to dinner.
- 3) What is it about Max that startles Gwen when she first sees him? Max reminds Gwen of his father. He is big and burly and looks like his father.
- 4) Why does Max feel that everyone thinks it's a big deal that he looks like his father? Max thinks that everyone will think he will turn out just like his father. Also that he is dangerous like his father.
- 5) Why is this July 4th special for Max? Max gets to go to the Mill Pond with Kevin and does not have to go with Grim and Gram.
- 6) What happens to the boys on the way to the millpond? Tony D bothers them and harasses them.
- 7) Why does Max put Kevin on his shoulders? Kevin could not see the fireworks so Max lifts him onto his shoulders.

Chapter 7 and Chapter 8

- 1) Where do the boys have to go to get away from their pursuers? They go into the mud in the pond.
- 2) How do Max and Kevin get out of the pond? Max and Kevin get out of the pond when the police come and pull them out of the pond.
- 3) When asked for their names, what does Kevin reply? Kevin replies. " We are Freak the Mighty". That's who we are.
- 4) How do Grim and Gram react to Max's adventure? At First they think Max has gotten into trouble but once the police explain what happened they were proud. Grim calls Max "son" and gives him a cup of coffee like a grown up.

5) How does Kevin change Max's summer routine? Kevin changes Max's summer routine by making him get up early to go on quests. Max was used to vegetating in his room and looking at comics and watching TV.

Chapter 9 and Chapter 10

1) What is the destination of Freak the Mighty in Chapter 9? Their destination in chapter 9 was a medical research facility. Kevin called it a "fortress".

2) What is the purpose of the next quest for Freak the Mighty? The purpose of the next quest is to retrieve "treasure" in the sewer.

3) Why don't the boys have to hunt? The boys don't have to hunt because Kevin already knew where the treasure was.

4) In what way is this quest different from others? This quest is different from the others because they are not going to keep their treasure, they are going to try and return it to its owner.

5) What does Freak the Mighty retrieve from the storm drain? Freak the Mighty retrieve Loretta's wallet.

Chapter 11 and Chapter 12

1) What does Kevin explain to Max about quests and a promise? Kevin explains that a promise is a promise unless you are on a quest. Then it is ok to break the promise.

2) What do Kevin and Max each gain by being Freak the Mighty? Kevin gains mobility and someone to talk to and hang out with. Max gains a brain and someone to hang out with and go on quests with.

3) Who does Freak the Mighty meet when returning purse? Freak the Mighty meets Loretta and Iggy Lee. Friends of Max's dad.4) Why is Freak the Mighty allowed to leave the Lee's apartment without being harmed?

5) Why is Max allowed to be in the same classes with Kevin? Kevin's mom talks to the principal and convinces her that this would be in the best interest of both of the boys.

6) How does Kevin restore order in English class on the first day of school? Kevin restores order by standing on his desk and yelling "order, order in the court"

Chapter 13 and Chapter 14

1) By October, how are things going at school for Kevin and Max? Max says that things are going better than he could have expected.

2) How is Max doing with his writing? Max is not doing as well with his writing. It is like the pencil is a piece of spaghetti and it feels clumsy he says. Freak says reading is a way of listening but writing is like talking and that is a different ballgame.

3) What happens first on Friday the 13th in October? The first thing that happens is that Max is called to the principal's office. Max thinks they are going to put him back in LD class. They told him they had contact from the parole board about his father. He freaks out.

4) What happens in the cafeteria at lunch on the 13th? On the 13th Freak Chokes on American Chop suey in the cafeteria

5) What does Max promise Grim? Max promises Grim he will stay in the house for a few days, once they found out Max's dad is getting paroled.

Chapter 15 and Chapter 16

- 1) What is the shape of the box that Kevin has made for Max's gift?
- 2) What gift has Kevin made for Max?
- 3) What happens during the night while Grim, Gram and Max are sleeping?
- 4) Is Max surprised to see his farther?
- 5) Where does Killer Kane take Max?
- 6) Are the Kanes going to stay with the Lees?

Chapter 17 and Chapter 18

- 1) Where do Max and his father stay on Christmas Eve?
- 2) How is Max treated by his father?
- 3) Why does Killer Kane wake Max before daybreak?
- 4) What are Killer Kane's plans for the future?
- 5) When Iggy comes the apartment, what does he report to Killer Kane?
- 6) What does Killer Kane need from Iggy?

Chapter 19 and Chapter 20

- 1) Why do Max and his father leave the apartment?
- 2) Does Killer Kane trust Max?

- 3) Who comes downstairs to help Max?
- 4) Does Loretta free Max?
- 5) What causes Killer Kane to shift his attention from Loretta to Max?
- 6) How does Kevin come to Max's rescue?
- 7) What is really in the squirt gun?

Chapter 21 and Chapter 22

- 1) What is the extent of Loretta's injury?
- 2) What is Max's opinion of Iggy at this time?
- 3) Is school different for Freak the Mighty after Christmas vacation?
- 4) Does Max have to testify in court?
- 5) What does Grim call Killer Kane?
- 6) How does Kevin define *remembering*?
- 7) What special birthday is Kevin celebrating?
- 8) What happens while Kevin is showing Grim how to play 3-D chess?

Chapter 23 and Chapter 24 and Chapter 25

- 1) What does Max take with him when he walks to the hospital to be near Kevin?

- 2) Is Max allowed to see Kevin? Why or why not?
- 3) What does Kevin want Max to do with the book of blank pages?
- 4) Why does Max's visit with Kevin end?
- 5) How does Max react to the terrible news?
- 6) Why does Max finally start to write the story of Freak the Mighty?