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The Lost Library by Rebecca Stead and Wendy Mass

Content Questions

1. In *The Lost Library*, what caused the town of Martinville to no longer have a library?
 - a. A Fire (pg. 27)
2. In *The Lost Library*, Evan and Rafe have matching phones (that are not cell phones). What do they call these phones?
 - a. “bat phones” (pg. 28)
3. In *The Lost Library*, what is the name of the cat that lives at the Martinville History House?
 - a. Mortimer (pg. 6)
4. In *The Lost Library*, who are the three people readers discover are actually ghosts?
 - a. Al, Ms. Scoggin and Mr. Brock (pg. 36)
5. In *The Lost Library*, what does Al build outside the Martinville History House with the help of Ms. Scoggin as the lookout? (pg. 10 and 18)
 - a. A little free library
6. In *The Lost Library*, what do Evan and Rafe discover happened to people in the fire that burned down the library? (pg. 36)
 - a. That people died
7. In *The Lost Library*, what type of photograph did Evan find in one of the books from the little free library? (pg. 47)
 - a. A polaroid
8. In *The Lost Library*, what famous mystery writer’s name do Rafe and Evan discover on a library check out card from a library book in the little free library? (pg. 33)
 - a. H.G. Higgins
9. In *The Lost Library*, when Rafe and Evan visit Grantville Middle School, what do they say they will not have in middle school that they did have in elementary school? (pg. 70)
 - a. Recess
10. In *The Lost Library*, where is the spot that Mr. O’Neal explains the fire at the library got started? (pg. 72)
 - a. The basement
11. In *The Lost Library*, who does Mortimer try to help and does he also ask (“because they seem to know things”) why frogs sing at night? (pg. 66)
 - a. He is trying to help and asks the mice
12. In *The Lost Library*, readers discover that Al grew up where? (pg. 87)
 - a. In an orphanage
13. In *The Lost Library*, what book is Evan reading and using to help solve the mystery of the library fire? (pg. 91)
 - a. *How to Write a Mystery Novel*
14. In *The Lost Library*, Al becomes friends with a library patron she calls “dear boy” and they decide to embark on a rescue together. What do they title their rescue? (pg. 95)
 - a. Mission Mouse
15. In *The Lost Library*, what is the name of the mouse that Al and the dear boy rescue? (pg. 97)
 - a. Eggy

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16. In *The Lost Library*, when Evan goes to explore the land where the library used to be, what does he find, with the help of Mortimer the cat? (pg. 103)
 - a. 2 keys on a ring
17. In *The Lost Library*, what is located in what Evan and his neighbors called “their woods” that is considered dangerous and often involved dares to try to climb up to it? (pg. 151)
 - a. A treehouse
18. In *The Lost Library*, what is something that Evan is afraid about and not too excited about concerning school? (pg. 149)
 - a. Going to Grantville Middle School next year
19. In *The Lost Library*, what does the key, which Evan found at the site of the old library, end up unlocking? (pg. 154)
 - a. The padlock on the treehouse door
20. In *The Lost Library*, what is one thing Rafe asks for that others maybe don’t, that is another reason Evan thinks Rafe is fearless? (pg. 155-156)
 - a. He asks for hugs
21. In *The Lost Library*, Evan and Rafe decide who else is a suspect for the fire BESIDES Evan’s dad?(158-159).
 - a. H.G. Higgins
22. In *The Lost Library*, who does Evan discover is the real H.G. Higgins? (pg. 169)
 - a. His dad
23. In *The Lost Library*, Mortimer hears about a cat called “the six-toed monster” and thinks it could possibly be who? (pg. 176)
 - a. Petunia
24. In *The Lost Library*, readers discover what actually started the fire to the library. What was it?
 - a. A mouse running with a matchstick in its mouth
25. In *The Lost Library*, who becomes the librarian and the intern at the new library that Evan’s dad had built in Martinville?
 - a. AL- librarian and Rafe- intern

In Which Book Questions:

1. In which book does a boy discover that his dad is actually the famous author, H.G. Higgins?
 - a. The Lost Library
2. In which book does a cat orchestrate a performance with mice to show humans how a fire started in the basement of a library?
 - a. The Lost Library
3. In which book does a 5th grade boy and his friend try to solve the mystery of why the library books in the little free library have the same return date as the fire that took place that burned down the town library?
 - a. The Lost Library
4. In which book do two ghosts and AL occupy a place called The Martinville History House?
 - a. The Lost Library
5. In which book does an orange polydactyl cat search for his long-lost sibling, Petunia?
 - a. The Lost Library

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6. In which book does a ghost, a former assistant librarian and a cat work together to build a little free library?
 - a. The Lost Library'
7. In which book is there a character that as a boy wanted to save mice from death who grows into a man who also prefers to save mice by driving them out of town rather than extinguishing them?
 - a. The Lost Library
8. In which book are there two ghosts, Ms. Scoggins and Mr. Brock, who were formerly people who never got to go on their first date to the movies?
 - a. The Lost Library
9. In which book is there a character who wants to give his teachers in middle school tomatoes on the first day instead of apples because he became a proficient gardener over the summer?
 - a. The Lost Library