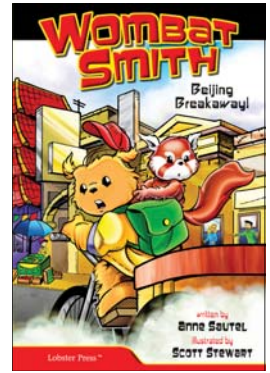


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Chapters 1 and 2

(1) When Wombat goes to the library, he finds a book with pictures of Beijing.

Name three things Wombat sees in the pictures:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

(2) After hearing from Joshua about soccer camp, Wombat tries to remind his parents that he wants to go to China. Name three of the hints Wombat uses to help remember:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

(3) More than anything else, Wombat would like to visit Beijing. Using complete sentences, explain at least one reason why Wombat wants to take this trip:

(4) Wombat cannot get a glass of marsupial milk on the plane. Wombat finds it strange that the plane doesn't have milk for everyone. Why do you think Wombat can't get his marsupial milk?

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Chapters 3 and 4

(1) Before Wombat's father, mother, and sister leave him alone at soccer camp, they each give him something. Complete the following sentences:

1. Mr. Smith gave Wombat a _____

2. Mrs. Smith gave Wombat a _____

3. Mary gave Wombat a _____

(2) After Wombat arrives at the soccer camp, his father gives him some Chinese money. Wombat notices the different shapes and numbers on the coins. Have you ever seen money from another country? Describe the money, and how it was different from the money in your country:

(3) On page 27, it says, "Wombat sat dejectedly on his bed." In your own words, what does "dejectedly" mean?

(4) Wombat and his teammates take a language class to learn words in Mandarin. Do you know any words or phrases in another languages? Make a list!

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Chapters 5 and 6

(1) At his second soccer practice, Wombat feels like his team doesn't want him at the camp. Why does he think this?

(2) In your own words, describe what an "endangered" animal is:

(3) Why does Wombat hide from his family when he sees them at the zoo?

(4) While Wombat is in the fruits and nuts store, the storekeeper takes out an abacus. Using your own words, describe what an abacus is, and how it is used.

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Chapters 7 and 8

(1) Why does Wombat want to return Hong Lu to the zoo? Why does he think it will help his soccer team?

(2) On page 61, Wombat says he wished he remembered how to say “endangered” in Mandarin. Can you remember the word in Mandarin? Write it in the space below:

(3) When he is being questioned in jail, the guard asks Wombat his age. How old is Wombat? Why does he have more than one answer?

(4) What does Wombat give to Hong Lu in his jail cell?

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Chapters 9 and 10

(1) After finding the lost panda, Wombat gets caught in a huge misunderstanding: the police think he stole Hong Lu. Wombat is in jail and can't get back to the soccer camp. If you were in Wombat's situation, describe what you think would be the best thing to do:

(2) How does Wombat find Joshua again?

(3) What is the secret that Wombat and Joshua share? Why does this secret make Joshua feel good about the soccer game?

(4) On page 83, Wombat sees his teammate Matt again. Matt says to Wombat: "If you'd stayed with us, you would have had a rickshaw ride." Explain why this is funny:

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Chapter 11

(1) Why does Wombat think his team is going to lose because of him?

(2) How does Wombat score the final goal?

(3) When Wombat arrives home, he decides he wants to write a book about this winning goal. If you wrote a book, what would you want it to be about?

(4) Use this space to draw the cover for your book:

