



Believing In Horses

🌀 Chapters 7 - 9 🌀



1. Compare the “patience, consistency, trust and respect” of a rider and horse to that of teacher and student and/or child and parent.

2. List some of the special customs of the Navarro’s father-daughter bond. _____

3. Why do you believe Dad was choking back tears? _____

4. Examine Sadie’s protective act of both her own and Dad’s emotions? _____

5. Casey and Jimmy approach Mr. Navarro’s deployment differently with Sadie. Which is better and why?

6. Sadie warns Lucky about the auctions. Record your reactions/conclusions. _____

7. Where and when does the gruff voice tell Sadie the next auction will be? _____

8. 📖 Summarize "The Encounter" on a separate piece of paper.

9. Dr. Paul mentions "a good sense of purpose." What is yours? _____

10. 🗨️ Brainstorm a list of possible interview questions Sadie could pose to Mrs. Heritage.

11. React to Austin's bursting through Sadie's door compared to the first "I Believe." _____

12. 🗨️ Devise and complete a Thinking Map detailing all of the work related to the horse rescue operation described in Chapter 8. Use a separate piece of paper.

13. Do you think Sadie's mother knows of Lucky's markings? Why or why not? _____

14. Sadie transforms herself into "Sadie the Horse Saver." What would *your* "Hero" name be? Why?

15. 🗨️ Sadie admires Mel. Write a persuasive paragraph about a person you would nominate for being a "Hometown Hero." Consider sharing your writing with your nominee.

16. Did the presentation of a small gift for Mrs. Heritage surprise you? Why or why not? Elaborate on what this gesture tells you about the Navarros. Postulate as to what the gift might have been.



READING ROUND-UP: Select *three responses* you wish to share during your Literary Discussion time. In Chapter 9, Sadie offers a "cooperative solution." So, in cooperative groups, assess Sadie's presentation. You could even design your own!

