The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind

Chapters 1-2

**Worksheet B**

Please highlight or make note of any interesting or confusing passages you notice in your reading. If there is anything you would like to make note of for discussion, there is space provided at the bottom. The following questions will be used as a guideline for discussion in our next meeting.

1. What is the *sing’anga*?
   1. A pharmacist
   2. A witch doctor
   3. A priest
   4. An African song
2. William talks about how he and his siblings used to sit around and listen to his father tell stories of folklore. He also discusses some superstitions that he and his friends believed in growing up. Do you have any lasting superstitions today?

Not at all Somewhat Absolutely

1. 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
2. The moral of the story of the Lion and the Leopard is “When planning misfortune for your friends, be careful because it will come back to haunt you. You must always wish others well.” (24) Do you agree that this is a good moral to follow?

Not at all Somewhat Absolutely

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

1. In Chapter 2, William uses the *sing’anga* for his own benefit. What types of powers was the *sing’anga* supposed to impart on him?
   1. Invisibility
   2. The power to fly
   3. Super-human strength
   4. X-Ray vision
2. William’s father had admired William’s mother for months before finally getting courage enough to even speak to her (32-33). Have you ever been in a situation when you had a desire to speak to someone but found yourself too afraid or embarrassed to do so?

Not at all Somewhat Absolutely

1. 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
2. After William got beat up while visiting his uncle, he felt that his friend had cheated him by falsely instilling the power of *manglomera* into William. Have you ever been “cheated” or slighted by someone you know or a stranger?

Not at all Somewhat Absolutely

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