The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind

Chapter 15

**Worksheet A**

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. When William goes to the TED conference, Tom Rielly asks him to give a presentation. When giving the presentation, he gets very nervous and says things incorrectly. He is aware of his mistakes but continues with his presentation. How can you relate your communication skills with William’s when he is giving his presentation?
2. After William’s presentation, Tom Rielly was so moved by William’s story that he helped him to raise money to go to school and help his family. William said, “Something about my story seemed to tug at Tom’s heart” (269). What about William’s story do you think moved Tom so much? How do you think William felt about Tom and all of the help that he was providing for William and his family?
3. At the end of chapter 15, William goes to the United States to visit Tom for the holidays and finds himself awestruck. He is amazed at the architecture and the technology. Do you remember a time when you were awestruck about something? What was it? Why did it make you feel that way?
4. Throughout the book, William has acquired a number of mentors and close friends who help him to achieve his goals. Who are some of William’s mentors? Do you have a mentor? How has that person helped you?