

# 5SR Home/School Connection #4

## 10.2.14



**Write your own Discussion/Wondering questions for at least 4 of the topics. The questions should not be something that have a one-word answer. They should lead to a better conversation. You will see space below each topic for you to write your own question. Give it a whirl. See if it worked. If not, you can try again next time.**

- MEASURING LINES:** We stood in line heel to toe and then all of you lay down on the floor head to toe in a long line down the hallway floor. Soon you will measure the lines in feet and then figure how long that is in meters. Were the lines longer, shorter, or just about what you imagined? Soon you will compare the real length of the line to your estimate. How do you think you did? What did you notice about how long Yu-Chen looked lying down? Why do you think that is? Ask your parents their estimates for how long those lines would be. What kind of math questions did they ask you to figure it out? Speaking of measurement, here is a great site to explain and describe different units of metric measurement. For example doorknobs are usually 1 meter high. [Commonly used metric system units, symbols, and prefixes](#)



- NEW TEAMS/NEW POSTERS:** On Monday, you went into new teams. What did you learn about each of your teammates from doing the likes, so-so's, and dislikes? Explain who the A, B, C, D & E are and what they do. Discuss how you came up with a team name and how you decorated your poster. What do you think you can learn from being on this new team?

**LORAX/SCIENCE/RRR:** Ms. Rosengren had you look around the room to find how much paper, wood, and other products we have in our class that come from trees. What did you look for? What did you notice that you hadn't before? She then began to read you *the Lorax* with the eyes of someone who "Speaks for the Trees." On Friday you will finish the book and answer some questions. If you are discussing this after Friday, What do you think Dr. Seuss meant by the word "Unless"? How does that apply to you? Also, we found out that all of California is going to be plastic bag free. Right now Brookline is plastic bag free. Ask your parents if they think the whole state of Massachusetts should do that?

**TIME FOR KIDS & Mission 3 I:** There was a lot about the environment in this week's TFK. For example there was news about whales, birds and the work of a man named Fabien Cousteau. Tell your mom or dad about why the whales, birds and Cousteau were in the news. Here is the cool 360 link: <http://time.com/cousteau/>

**WEB-NESDAY:** What did you choose to do this time for Web-nes-day? How was this experience similar or different to the last time you worked on this? Do you already have an idea for next week? If you could have homework like this more often, do you think that would be good or not? Why is that?

**SOMETHING ELSE?** Finishing Chapter I, Mensa puzzles, Music, Art, P.E., Library, C.O.B., and Chinese, Morning Meeting Topics, Something else? What did you discuss? \_\_\_\_\_

Due: Monday. HSC appointment time \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

Student Rating (1-5) Please say why and which topics lead to the most in-depth discussions.