

Little House in the Big Woods:

By Laura Ingalls Wilder

Directions: As you read each chapter answer the following questions.

Circle the correct answer for multiple choice questions.

Write your answers for each question.

Chapter 1: *Little House in the Big Woods*

1. What was the name of Laura's older sister? _____
2. What was their Little House in the Big Woods made of? _____
3. What is venison?
 - a. Vegetable
 - b. Bear meat
 - c. Deer meat
4. How did Pa catch fish?
 - a. Fishing pole
 - b. Net
 - c. Hands
5. What animal tried to kill the pig before butchering time? _____
6. What was Laura's corncob doll named? _____
7. What was Mary's rag doll named? _____

Chapter 2: *Winter Days and Winter Nights*

1. Which sister churned the butter with the churn-dash? _____

2. What did the butter mold have on it?
 - a. Strawberries
 - b. Flowers

3. What day of the week was baking day? _____
4. What day of the week was churn day? _____
5. Who was the Mad Dog?
 - a. Jack
 - b. Pa
 - c. Laura's Grandpa

6. Who was chased by the Panther?
 - a. Pa
 - b. Jack
 - c. Laura's Grandpa

7. What animal is a panther like? _____

Chapter 3: *The Long Rifle*

1. What did Pa make every evening? _____
2. Why did Pa use boiling water to clean his gun?
 - a. To dry faster
 - b. He was cold

3. Where did Pa keep his gun?
 - a. Bedroom
 - b. Barn
 - c. Over the door

4. Why did Laura want to touch the bullets?
 - a. They were shiny
 - b. They were hot
 - c. They were black

5. What job did Pa have to do as a little boy?
 - a. Milk the cows
 - b. Bring the cows home
 - c. Feed the cows
6. What did the cows wear? _____
7. What was the voice in the woods? _____

Chapter 4: Christmas

1. Who was Pa making the bracket for? _____
2. What did Ma put on the shelf?
 - a. China woman
 - b. China plates
3. What did Ma put in the baked beans?
 - a. Tomatoes and brown sugar
 - b. Salt pork and molasses
 - c. Sausage and cheese
4. What did Laura and Mary pour on the snow to make candy? _____
5. What kind of bed did Cousin Peter sleep in?
 - a. Bunk bed
 - b. Trundle bed
 - c. Blankets on the floor
6. Who was Prince? _____
7. What gift did Laura get for Christmas that made her happiest?
 - a. Stockings
 - b. Red mittens
 - c. Rag doll

Chapter 5: Sundays

1. What did Laura do on Saturday nights? _____
2. What did Ma use to make a screen for bath time? _____
3. What were Laura and Mary allowed to do on Sundays?
 - a. Play with paper dolls
 - b. Sewing and knitting
 - c. Be noisy
4. What did Pa and his brothers do on Sunday when their father fell asleep?
 - a. Went to bed
 - b. Went sledding
 - c. Went swimming
5. What animal did Pa and his brothers pick up when they went down the hill?

6. How old did Laura turn on her birthday? _____
7. What special song did Pa play for Laura's birthday?
 - a. Happy Birthday song
 - b. Darling Nelly Gray
 - c. Pop Goes the Weasel

Chapter 6: Two Big Bears

1. What was Pa going to town to trade? _____
2. What did Laura carry for Ma when they went to milk the cow?
 - a. Stool
 - b. Pail
 - c. Lantern
3. What did Ma slap instead of the cow? _____

4. What did Laura do when Ma told her to walk back to the house?
 - a. Turned around and walked to the house
 - b. Stayed with Ma
 - c. Went to play

5. What did Ma do to the door at night?
 - a. Locked it
 - b. Kept it open
 - c. Pulled in the latchstring

6. What did Pa think was a bear? _____

7. Why did Pa not take his gun?
 - a. Could not carry it
 - b. Ma wanted to keep it
 - c. Forgot it

Chapter 7: The Sugar Snow

1. What was Pa's gift to Laura and Mary? _____

2. What did Pa get for Ma?
 - a. Needle and thread
 - b. Fabric for dresses
 - c. Cake and syrup

3. What were the cakes made out of?
 - a. Maple syrup
 - b. Flour
 - c. Corn
 - d. Sourdough

4. What did they collect the maple sap in?
 - a. Wood buckets
 - b. Tin pails
 - c. Their hands

5. Why is Ma happy?
 - a. There is going to be a school
 - b. There is going to be church
 - c. There is going to be a dance

6. What pattern was on Ma's dress?
 - a. Flowers
 - b. Strawberries
 - c. Feathers

Chapter 8: *Dance at Grandpa's*

1. What did Pa carefully pack to take in the sled? _____

2. What animal tracks did Laura not see when going to Grandpa's?
 - a. Rabbits
 - b. Snowbirds
 - c. Foxes
 - d. Bears

3. What did Uncle George play? _____

4. What did Aunt Docia's buttons look like? _____

5. What did Laura and her other cousin Laura argue over?
 - a. Who had the prettiest dress
 - b. Who had the prettiest baby sister
 - c. Who had the prettiest hair

6. What did the Ingalls family have for breakfast?
 - a. Bacon and Eggs
 - b. Porridge
 - c. Pancakes and maple syrup

Chapter 9: Going to Town

1. What did Laura and Mary use for hats for their dolls? _____
2. What was the name of the town Laura visited?
 - a. Walnut Grove
 - b. Big Woods
 - c. Pepin
3. Why did the sky frighten Laura?
 - a. Too many clouds
 - b. It was big
 - c. It was raining
4. What were the houses made out of in town? _____
5. What did the storekeeper give *Laura* and Mary? _____
6. Why did Ma say Laura was greedy?
 - a. She didn't share her candy with her sisters
 - b. She tore her dress pocket with too many pebbles
 - c. She stole Mary's candy

Chapter 10: Summertime

1. What did Laura and Mary share with Baby Carrie? _____
2. Did Aunt Lotty say she liked brown curls or golden curls best?
 - a. Brown curls
 - b. Golden curls
 - c. Both brown and golden curls
3. Why did Pa whip Laura?
 - a. She lied
 - b. She slapped Mary
 - c. She slapped Baby Carrie

4. What did Ma say the moon was made of? _____

5. What did Pa find in the woods?

- a. Honey tree
- b. Corn
- c. Panther

6. Why did Laura feel sorry for the bees?

- a. They didn't have anyone to sting
- b. Pa scared the bear away
- c. Pa took their honey

Chapter 11: *Harvest*

1. What were Laura and her cousins jumping on? _____

2. Why did Pa and Uncle Henry let Charley scream the fourth time?

- a. When he screamed three times before nothing was wrong
- b. He wasn't screaming loud enough

3. What was Charley *jumping on* when he screamed the fourth time?

- a. Yellow jackets nest
- b. Stumps
- c. Flowers

4. What did Ma and Aunt Polly put on Charley's stings? _____

5. Why did they need to get the oats shocked quickly?

- a. Before the rain ruined the oats
- b. Before the snow ruined the oats
- c. Before the thunderstorm ruined the oats

6. Why did Pa need to get home before supper?

- a. Milk the cows
- b. Collect the eggs
- c. Feed the animals

Chapter 12: The Wonderful Machine

1. What does Ma make hats out of? _____
2. Who does Laura make a hat for? _____
3. What were squirrels hiding for winter? _____
4. What does Ma use to cut the squash? _____
5. What powered the wonderful machine? _____
6. What is johnny-cake?
 - a. Pancakes
 - b. Cornbread
 - c. Birthday cake

Chapter 13: The Deer in the Wood

1. What are Laura and Mary making?
 - a. Straw hats
 - b. Patchwork quilts
 - c. Dresses
2. What does Pa do after supper again?
 - a. Cleans his gun
 - b. Eats a snack
 - c. Plays his fiddle
3. What is a deer lick?
 - a. A place Pa sprinkled salt to bring deer
 - b. When a deer licks you
4. Why does Pa not shoot the first deer he sees?
 - a. It looks too strong and beautiful
 - b. It ran away before he could shoot

5. Why did Pa not shoot the bear?
- a. He forgot about his gun
 - b. He didn't have a clear shot

6. What is Ma knitting? _____

7. What does auld lang syne mean?
- a. Days of a long time ago
 - b. Days that have not happened yet

Write in 4 or more complete sentences. Remember to use capital letters and punctuation.

Describe your favorite part of the book?
