

KIRBY AND THE RIVER STORM

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Plans Changing

Can you think of a time when something unexpected changed your plans?

- What were you planning to do?**
- What changed?**

2. Feelings About Change

How did you feel when your plans had to change?

- Were you frustrated?**
- Disappointed?**
- Surprised?**

3. Big Question

Did the change of plans ruin your whole day? Why or why not?

Help the kids talk about perspective, flexibility, and finding something good in the unexpected.

2. Trusting Instincts

Have you ever had a feeling inside—your tummy or your heart—telling you something didn't feel right?

(Like Kirby felt when the snake gave directions.)

2. What Did Your Gut Say?

What did that feeling tell you?

- “Maybe I shouldn't go.”**
- “Something feels off.”**
- “I need to check with a grown-up.”**

3. Safe Choices

What did you do next?

Talk about making safe, smart choices when something doesn't feel quite right.

4. Kirby Comparison

How was your moment like Kirby's?

Help kids connect their own intuition to Kirby's experience.

3. Being the New Kid

Have you ever been the new person somewhere?

- A new class**
- A new team**
- A new neighborhood**
- A new group of friends**

2. What Did It Feel Like?

What feelings did you have when you were new?

- Excited?**
- Nervous?**
- Shy?**
- Curious?**

3. Welcoming Others

How can you help someone feel welcome when they're new?

- Say hello**
- Invite them to play**
- Show them around**
- Be kind and include them**

4. Kirby Connection

How do you think the Beazlers made Kirby feel when they invited him in?

A great moment for talking about belonging, inclusion, and kindness.