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Close-Reading Questions

"Bearing Up"

1. What do the dreams in this paragraph have in common? (inference, page 23)
2. What is the mood of Mike's dream? (mood, page 23)
3. What do these two similes help you understand? (figurative language, page 23)
4. How might what Mrs. Skinner is saying relate to Mike's nightmare? (text structure, page 25)

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“Why Do You Dream?”

1. How has our understanding of dreams changed since ancient times? (key ideas)
2. According to the article, do dreams have meaning? Explain. (key ideas)
3. Consider the quote by Stephen LaBerge at the end of the article. Explain what it means. (interpreting text)

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Critical-Thinking Questions

"Bearing Up" and "Why Do You Dream?"

1. Do you think Mike really saw a bear in his backyard? Explain.
2. Why might people have once believed that dreams were messages from gods and demons?