

# James and the Giant Peach : Chapter 18

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Question 11-15

1. Why does the Centipede state they must eat the ship?  
A. Because it's their only source of food  
B. To make the peach lighter  
C. He believes it will help them swim  
D. To attract a rescue ship
2. What is Earthworm's initial reaction to eating the peach?  
A. He is excited about it  
B. He is worried it will cause them to sink  
C. He thinks it is a delicious idea  
D. He suggests they should ration it carefully
3. How does James reassure his companions about the stability of the peach?  
A. By promising to catch fish  
B. By showing the size of the peach  
C. By stating they will be rescued soon  
D. By pointing out other food sources
4. What is the Old-Green-Grasshopper's attitude when first reacting to their predicament?  
A. He is completely hopeless  
B. He keeps a positive outlook  
C. He is indifferent to the situation  
D. He suggests an immediate plan of action
5. According to James, why won't they have to swim?  
A. Because they're going to be rescued immediately  
B. Because the peach floats perfectly  
C. Because they can fly away from danger  
D. Because they can build a raft
6. Why does the Ladybug consider the Earthworm to be gloomy?  
A. Because he enjoys being in trouble  
B. Because he dislikes happiness  
C. Because being an Earthworm naturally makes him gloomy  
D. Because he is excited about their adventure
7. What solution does James propose when they worry about starving?  
A. To catch fish from the ocean  
B. To ration their remaining food  
C. To use the peach for sustenance  
D. To signal passing ships for help
8. What causes a change in the Earthworm's mood?  
A. He discovers other food on the peach  
B. He realizes the peach's flesh is edible  
C. He finds a way to navigate the peach  
D. He is reassured they will be rescued
9. What miscue does James correct when talking to the Earthworm about being blind?  
A. He apologizes for offending the Earthworm  
B. He says the Earthworm can still help them see  
C. He clarifies that he meant the Earthworm can sense food  
D. He reassures the Earthworm about his importance

10. How does the group decide to consume the peach without jeopardizing their floatation?

- A. By fishing for more food instead
- B. By only eating the insides of the peach
- C. By creating a storage area in the peach
- D. By drying out pieces of the peach

11. Why does Miss Spider consider peach to be superior to her previous favorite food?

- A. Because it is sweeter than a bluebottle
- B. Because it is more nutritious
- C. Because it is easier to catch
- D. Because it is bigger in size

12. What can we infer about the Centipede's eating habits?

- A. He has a dislike for sweet fruits
- B. He has a refined taste for gourmet foods
- C. He frequently indulges in exotic and unique foods
- D. He prefers to eat only traditional dishes

13. How does James's creative thinking influence the group's situation?

- A. It creates tension among the characters
- B. It leads to a practical way to gather rainwater
- C. It contributes to their eventual rescue
- D. It offers a solution to their immediate problem of hunger

14. Why does the Old-Green-Grasshopper feel they are worse off after the debate about eating the peach?

- A. Because they cannot reach a consensus
- B. Because they run the risk of sinking the peach
- C. Because they realize the peach is not as big as they thought
- D. They questioned James's judgment

15. What is unique about the situation the characters find themselves in?

- A. They are stranded in a desert
- B. They are on top of a flying peach
- C. They are at sea on a peach
- D. They are hiding inside an underwater peach