

Writing Prompts

“Journey to the River of Perfumes

“Hidden in the Himalayas”

1. Imagine that you are going on a journey to a special place or a trek through the mountains. Where would you go? What would bring? Who would you like to go with? Write about it.
2. Both stories have a problem and a solution. Can you explain what they are?
3. After you read “Journey,” think about people in your life that help you. Write about one of those people. Who are they? What do they do?
4. Choose one thing about Vietnam/Nepal that you would like to learn more about. Gather facts from books or the Internet and write about your findings.
5. Think about a different ending to Journey/Hidden. Write your own ending version.
6. Choose a character from “Journey/Hidden?” What kind of a person are they? How do you know?

7. What does the author do to create suspense in “Journey/Hidden” to make you want to read on?
8. Write a letter to Nema from “Hidden” after she lost Yeti.
9. What message do you think the author was trying to send the readers at the end of “Journey”?
10. Summarize one of the stories and rewrite it in your own words.
11. Write about your favorite part of the book?
12. List some facts you learned about each book i.e. historical, cultural, geographical, etc.

Illustration Prompts

13. Select your favorite scene from one of the books and draw it from memory.
14. Design your own cover for either book.
15. Paint a landscape of Vietnam/Nepal in watercolor from memory.