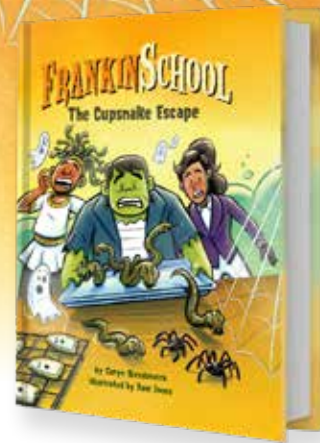


# FRANKIN'SCHOOL

Book 2: The Cupsnake Escape  
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## Discussion Guide

1. Some students and parents complain that it is unfair for Fred's grandmother to judge the Ook and Spook School Bake-Off if Fred competes. They believe it will be cheating if Fred's team wins. Do you agree? Why or why not?
2. Do you think you could judge a competition fairly if a friend or close family member were competing?
3. Fred wants to purposely lose the competition so no one will accuse him of cheating. Would you feel the same way as Fred? Why or why not?
4. Ms. Martinez often has students write What-If Poems to "discover the power of pretend," and Fred's poems come to life. What would your What-If Poem be about? *Bonus: Write your own What-If Poem.*
5. On p. 28, Fred thinks to himself that his team can win if they cooperate and stick to their tasks. How important do you think teamwork is for success? Do you think Fred's team works well together?
6. On p. 48, Drake gets upset when he learns that Fred was going to try to lose the competition on purpose. Would you have been angry at Fred, too? Why or why not?
7. On p. 73, Frankin's School says, "Being a *cheater* is better than being a *monster*." Which do you think is better, and why?
8. On p. 76, Princesa Luisa says libraries are magic. Why do you think she feels that way? What do you find magical about libraries?
9. Is Frank a good ghost or a bad ghost? Why do you think so?
10. Invent and draw a picture of your own spooky dessert. Describe what it is and give it a special name. Do you think it would win the Ook and Spook Bake-Off?



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