

## Discussion Questions:

*The Witch of Blackbird Pond*

by Elizabeth George Speare

1. Was there a character you admired?
2. When Kit swims to rescue Prudence's doll, they called her a witch. Why?
3. To Kit the meadow where Hannah lives is a place of "peace and quietness and comfort for a troubled heart." Would you like to tell us about a place like that in your life?
4. Hannah's cure for sad children is blueberry cake and a kitten. If a sad child came to you, how would you comfort him/her?
5. When Kit asked Mercy on page 103 how she could stand to be left behind because of her disability, Mercy said, "I thought of all the things I would never be able to do. And then I thought about the things that I could do. Since then I've just never thought much about it." How would you describe Mercy? Have you known someone like her?
6. Here's the toughest question! When Kit continues trying to help Hannah, she is disobeying her Uncle Matthew. Was that the right thing to do?
7. What is your favorite part of the story?