

### Discussion Questions Suggested by *Through the Wardrobe*

1. What did you think of *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, the first time you read it?
2. Which character in the Chronicles of Narnia—human or animal—do you think you're most like?
3. Have you ever seen magic someplace other people did not?
4. Have you ever had a crush on a character in a book? How about a character on television or in a movie?
5. If you had to sum up the story of your life in one sentence, how would you do it?
6. Do you prefer reading fiction or non-fiction? Which one do you think is more "useful"? [Expanded in practice SAT essay question #2.]
7. Did you notice the religious symbolism in the Chronicles of Narnia on your own? How do you think the experience of reading them would be different if you had/hadn't?
8. Do you always have to understand an author's point to benefit from a piece of writing?
9. If you were writing about a feast, what foods would you include? Is there a reason you would include those foods specifically?
10. Do the Pevensies and the other younger characters in the Chronicles of Narnia seem "real" to you? Why? Could you imagine having one of them in class with you?
11. Pick one of your heroes. What would an action figure of that person wear and hold?
12. When you read *The Horse and His Boy*, did you think of Aravis and the rest of the Calormen as being Islamic? Did you picture them as resembling any group from the real world?
13. Were you disappointed with *The Last Battle*?
14. Do you think that growing up is a process of becoming who you've always been inside, or a process of change?
15. Is nature frightening or comforting to you, or something in-between?
16. What do you think living "in harmony" with nature means?

17. Do “the little things” matter most? Or should we “not sweat the small stuff”?
18. Is it more interesting to be bad?
19. Do you usually follow the rules because you want to be good, or because you’re likely to get punished if you don’t?
20. Do you automatically become more mature as you get older?
21. Do you think, if the story continued, that Susan would eventually make it to Aslan’s land?