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Ramona the Brave
by Beverly Cleary
Comprehension, part 1

Chapter 1

1. What does the word responsible mean to Ramona?

2. Why is Ramona proud of herself?

3. What does the word *reluctant* mean?

4. How did Ramona upset Beezus?

5. What is the meaning of the word *subdued* ?

6. Why doesn't Ramona want her sister to be called Beezus anymore?

7. What do Beezus and Ramona think about Mother's advice?

8. What does the word *chagrined* mean?

9. What does *exasperating* mean?

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Chapter 2

1. Where do you think Mother is going when she runs her mysterious errands?

2. What did Ramona enjoy doing when she was bored?

3. What two sayings made Ramona angry?

4. What are the two surprises Mother has to share?

5. Why is Ramona concerned about Mother working?

6. How do they feel about the plan of switching rooms every six months? Would you enjoy that?

Chapter 3

1. Describe the difference between Ramona and Howie.

2. Describe Ramona's Q's.

3. Why was Ramona excited about the hole in the wall?

4. Why was it fun to have a hole with flapping plastic at night?

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Chapter 4

1. What does the word *liberated* mean? pg 59

2. How does Ramona feel about Miss Binney, her kindergarten teacher?

3. What three grown up words was Ramona able to read?

4. What did Mrs. Griggs want to call Ramona?

5. What did the class do when Ramona told them about the hole in the house?
How did she feel?

6. Why did Howie say Ramona was a liar?

7. What would Howie do that infuriated Ramona?

8. What are two disadvantages to her mother's new job?

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Chapter 5

1. What could Ramona do with her mind?

2. Why was Ramona angry with Susan?

3. What did Ramona do to her owl, and why?

4. What did Ramona do to Susan's owl?

5. What was Ramona really running away from?

6. How does Ramona feel about herself?

Chapter 6

1. How does Ramona feel about Mrs. Kemp as a babysitter? Give examples to support your answer.

2. What makes Ramona feel really bad?

3. What is a conscience, and why does Ramona's hurt?

4. How did Ramona feel about crumpling Susan's owl?

5. Why doesn't Ramona like Mrs. Griggs?

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Chapter 7

1. Ramona doesn't like first grade. List three of the reasons she is unhappy.

2. How did her apology to Susan help her with the other kids?

3. How does Ramona feel about her room at night?

4. How did Mr. Cardoza make Ramona feel better?

Chapter 8

1. What did Ramona do with her progress report?

2. How was Beezus' progress report?

3. What did Ramona's progress report say?

4. Lots of things are bothering Ramona. What do you think is bothering her the most?

5. How did Beezus feel about Mrs. Griggs?

6. Why can't Ramona change classes?

7. What song does Mr. Quimby sing that makes Ramona happy?

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Comprehension, part 6

Chapter 9

1. Which way did Ramona go to school and why did she do it?

2. Who did she meet?

3. How many shoes did Ramona wear to school, and why?

4. How did Mrs. Griggs find out that Ramona had one shoe?

5. What does Ramona want to make?

6. How does Ramona feel about Mr. Cardoza?

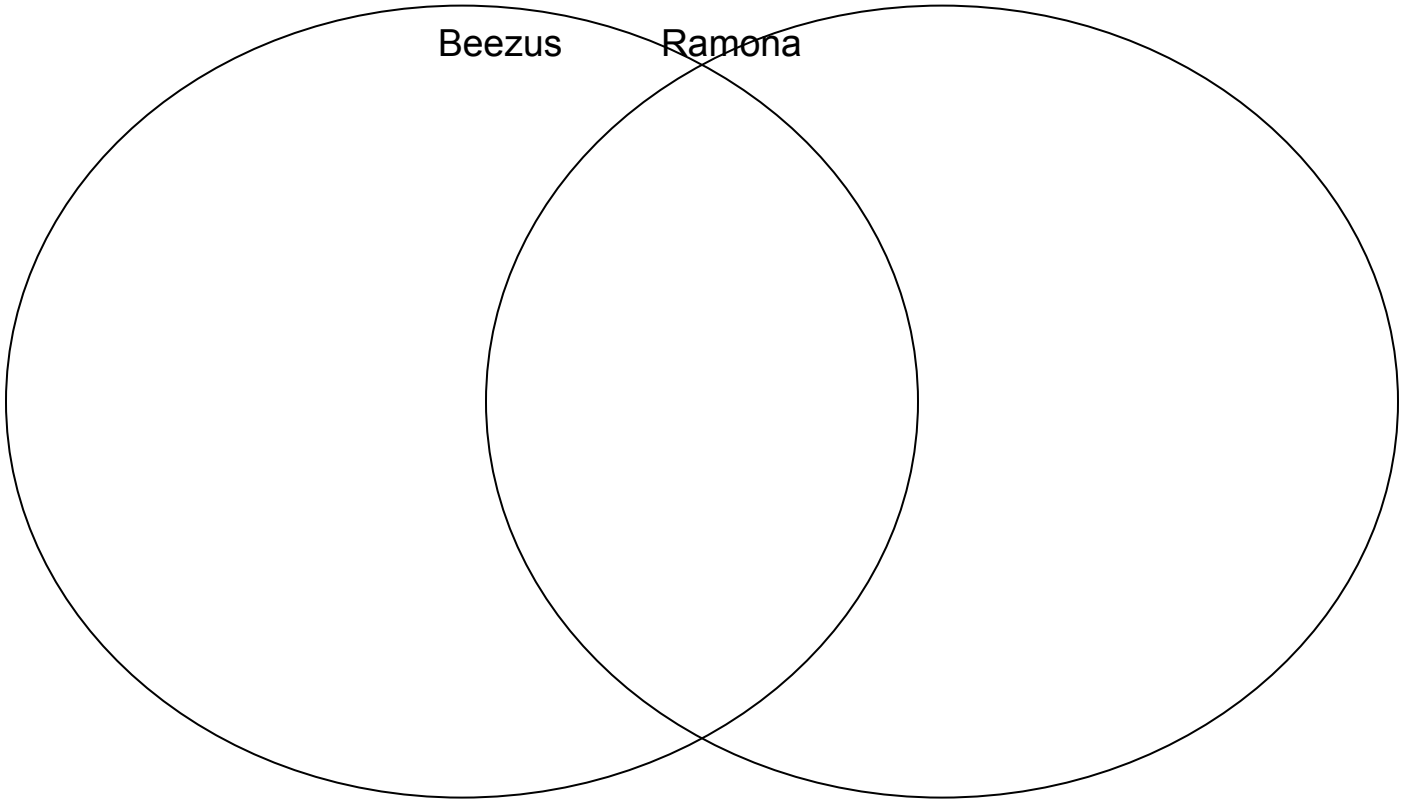
7. What will Ramona make instead of a turkey?

8. Why does Ramona feel better about Mrs. Griggs?

9. What did Mrs. Miller call Ramona?

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Critical Thinking

Complete the Venn diagram



Write a paragraph comparing and contrasting Beezus and Ramona.

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Answers

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1. Bossy.
2. She defended her big sister on the playground.
3. Not wanting to.
4. Ramona preached a sermon to the boys.
5. Quiet.
6. It's easy to make fun of.
7. Advice is easy for adults to give and hard for kids to follow.
8. Upset.
9. Frustrating.

Chapter 2

1. Answers will vary
2. scaring herself.
3. a. You're a pest b. telling her to grow up.
4. a. an extra bedroom b. Mom has a job
5. Who will take care of her if she gets sick.
6. Answers will vary

Chapter 3

1. Howie is patient; Ramona is impatient.
2. They look like a cat.
3. It was something she could use for show and tell.
4. It was spooky.

Chapter 4

1. To be freed.
2. She loves her so much.
3. Gas, motel, burger.
4. Ramona Kitty Cat.
5. They laughed at her; she felt humiliated.
6. He knew they had pried off the siding; they didn't chop a hole.
7. He refused to get excited.
8. Go shopping after school; no playing; make her own bed.

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Chapter 5

1. She had learned to think about school work and her private life at the same time.
2. She was copying Ramona's owl.
3. Crushed it and threw it away because Susan had copied it.
4. Crushed it.
5. She ran away from school.
6. She wants to be a girl everyone likes, and she thinks she is.

Chapter 6

1. She is not the sort to play with kids; she sits and knits; she watches news.
2. She was worried about what Mrs. Griggs would tell her parents.
3. The part of the mind that knows right from wrong. She was wrong to crush the owls.
4. She is still angry with Susan.
5. She doesn't like calm people who don't get upset.

Chapter 7

1. Mrs. Griggs doesn't like her; she doesn't like the green sweater ; she never got to be a flag monitor.
2. The kids didn't think Ramona should've had to go to the front of the class.
3. She doesn't like being alone in her new room.
4. He knew who she was: Ramona Q.

Chapter 8

1. She hid it in her room.
2. Excellent.
3. She does well in math, writing, and reading. She has no self-control.
4. That Beezus.
5. She thought she was boring.
6. Mrs. Griggs is teaching her to read and write.
7. "Oh My Gal is a Spunky Gal".

Chapter 9

1. She took the next street over because she felt spunky.
2. A big dog.
3. Only one, because the dog had the other.
4. Ramona had to lead the pledge in front of the class.
5. A slipper for her foot.
6. She loves him because he understands her.
7. A bunny slipper.
8. She approved of Ramona's slipper.
9. She said Ramona was brave.