

# Kensuke's Kingdom - Knowledge Organiser.

**V – Vocabulary.**

**I – Inference.**

**P – Prediction.**

**E –Explanation.**

**R – Retrieval**

**S – Summarise/ Sequence.**

## Summary:

The story is the tale of a young boy - Michael. Michael's life changes when his parents decide to buy a boat so that they can travel around the world. One night Michael is on lookout duty when a storm throws him overboard. He wakes on a mysterious island, completely alone, apart from some friendly monkeys. After finding food being regularly left for him, Michael begins to wonder where the food is coming from and if he really is alone...

## Author info:

Sir Michael Morpurgo, is an English author, poet and playwright. His work is noted for its 'magical storytelling'. Reoccurring themes of his include, triumph of an outsider, survival and relationships with nature. Morpurgo became the third Children's Laureate, from 2003 to 2005.

## Example VIPER questions/ sequence:

Predict what you think is going to happen in this chapter.

What do these words mean?  
Can you think of a synonym for the word delighted?

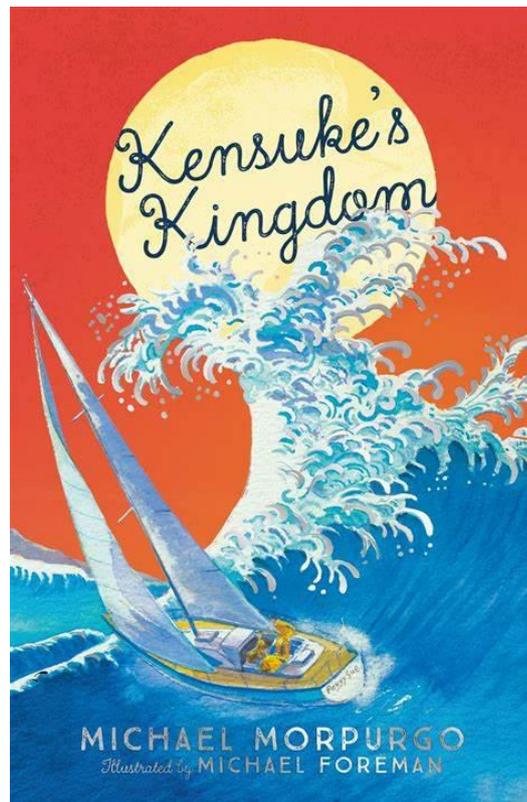
Who is Michael's best friend?

Order the events of this chapter.

What do you think the atmosphere is like in the house at this point in time?

Explain why the author has used this word. What is the impact on the author?

What has happened in this chapter?



## Main Characters:

Michael  
Kensuke  
Barnacle Bill  
Stella

## Key themes/ messages:

Friendship  
Survival  
Family  
Nature  
Adventure

## Books by the same author:

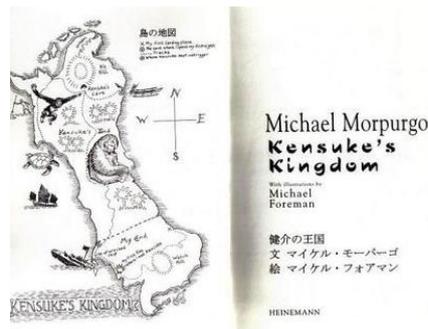
War Horse.  
The Butterfly Lion..  
Listen to the moon.  
Private peaceful.  
Twist of gold.  
The dancing bear.

## More reading time activities:

Pobble 365 on adventure.  
Non-fiction text on islands.  
Monster cloze to focus on grammar.  
Fluency.

## Key words:

Logbook, Island, Cave, Orang-utan, Gibbon, Bewilder, Canopy, Marooned, Rudimentary, Defy, Venture, Sparsely, Kingdom, Adventure



## Main moments:

Buying the 'Peggy Sue'  
Travelling the world  
Falling overboard  
Meeting Kensuke