

# The One and Only Ivan

## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading Questions

### Pre-Reading Questions

Should wild animals, like elephants and gorillas be kept in exhibits in malls, circuses, or zoos? Why or why not? Write your opinion.

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**Three Stages of Questioning** (Complete before, during, and after reading the book):

These are some questions I had <b>BEFORE</b> I started reading:	These are some questions I had <b>WHILE</b> I was reading:	These are some questions I had <b>AFTER</b> I finished reading:

**Section 1: Pages 1-18**

**Comprehension Questions:**

Does Ivan see humans in a positive or negative way? Use details from the text to back up your answer.

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Describe Julia. How does Ivan feel about her? \_\_\_\_\_

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Illustrate how you imagine Ivan's domain in the space below.



**Section 2: Pages 19-37**

**Comprehension Questions:**

Ivan thinks Stella's trunk is a "miracle." Why? What can she do with it? What can't she do?

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Using evidence from the text, describe Bob. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Section 3: Pages 38-66**

**Comprehension Questions:**

Why does Ivan wish the glass was sometimes there, and sometimes not there?

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**Section 4: Pages 67-96**

**Comprehension Questions:**

Why do you think Ivan likes drawing? Why does he draw different pictures for Ruby?

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**Section 5: Pages 97-125**

**Comprehension Questions:**

Explain why Ruby has to go into the ring without Stella. How does Ivan feel about this?

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What happened to Stella? Why?

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To comfort Ruby, Ivan tells her a story. What does he reveal about his past?

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**Section 6: Pages 126-156**

**Comprehension Questions:**

Explain what Ivan did with the cake frosting. Why?

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**Section 7: Pages 157-187**

**Comprehension Questions:**

Ivan now called his “domain” a “cage.” Why?

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Illustrate one of Ivan’s paintings in the space below.



**Section 8: Pages 188-221**

**Comprehension Questions:**

How does Ivan finally show his anger? What is the reaction of Julia and George?

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**Section 9: Pages 222-255**

**Comprehension Questions:**

People arrive with signs on sticks. Why?

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Describe Ivan's feelings about going into the box.

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**Section 10: Pages 256-300**

**Comprehension Questions:**

Explain what happens the first time Ivan enters the gorilla exhibit? Why does this happen?

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Who is Kinyani? How does Ivan feel about her? Why does he need Bob's advice?

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Explain what Ivan does to the new white wall. Why does he do this?

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**After Reading Questions:**

Think back on the characters of Ivan and Stella. How are they similar? How are they different? Use the Venn diagram below to organize your ideas.

