I Am David: Chapter 5

**Vocabulary: Odd Man Out**

Look at these sets of related words. They express different degrees of related meaning, except one. Circle the word that does not belong. You may use a dictionary or a Thesaurus.

1. More, good, better, the best
2. Repulsive, fresh, loathsome, matted in dirt
3. Strange, wicked, bad, evil
4. Horrible, unfair, shameful, despicable
5. Gentle, different, delicate, listless
6. Odd, suspicious, strange, weird
7. Alert, weak, emaciated, listless
8. Obstinate, headstrong, carefree, opinionate

**Comprehension questions (Use complete sentences please.)**

1. David told the children’s father that he most wanted to read a book. Why did the book have to be published before 1917, so that they couldn't have made it up?

3. Why does David consider the children stupid? Why did David have such a different opinion about these behaviors?

4. David says—“No one has any right over other people.” How do the children see this differently than David?

5. What was David’s opinion of Carlo in this chapter? Do you think it was fair of David considering where he comes from?

6. How was David’s relationship with Maria different than with the other children?

7. Why does David’s excitement about the globe turn to disappointment?(2 things)

8. What does David come to realize about the milk the man had given him twice a week?

9. The mother of the children explains to her husband why David has to go. What are her arguments?

What are the husband's arguments?

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| Mother’s Arguments | Falther’s Arguments |
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10. Why does David leave the del Varchi family? How does he explain himself to the family?

11. What does Maria give him as a parting gift?