Dear Adventurer,

The **League of Literary Adventurers** officially invites you to join our ranks, should you meet the challenges along the way. We are a global and inclusive society of adventure-seekers whose purpose is to learn, explore, and improve the world.

To join, one must be dedicated to cultivating the following qualities:

- Curiosity about the world
- Integrity and resilience in the face of challenge
- An ability to make sense of patterns, clues, and other mysteries
- Powers of empathy and kindness toward others
- A deep desire to apply these skills to make the world a better place

We believe you have what it takes. So we invite you to embark on this journey and rise to meet the challenges within. Here’s how it works:

- **The Adventure Map** provides your pathway through the quest as you read the book. The map key will show you what kind of task or challenge you will meet at each stop along your reading journey.

- Complete challenge clues to join the league. You will have only half of the clue, while a National Geographic Explorer will have the rest! Listen carefully as they share the clue with you through videos along the way, write them down, and meet each challenge.

- As you meet your goals, collect evidence of your accomplishments in your Field Notebook, such as photos, drawings, videos, or written accounts.

- Bonus tasks are meant to help you gain experience and knowledge to support you during the challenges. They are not necessary but can be very helpful, so consider them wisely.

Succeeding on this quest will grant you lifelong membership into the League of Literary Adventurers, where reading books is a superpower and making the world a better place will be your eternal mission. We know you are just the one to rise to this challenge, and we can’t wait to see how your journey unfolds.

Yours in Navigation,

**Captain Atlas**
Mystery Literary Navigator
ABOUT THE BOOK

*The Wild Robot* by Peter Brown is a story about robots, animals, the wild, and survival. To learn more about this story, check out the author’s website. There you will find behind-the-scenes details and additional activities to do.

ABOUT THIS BOOK QUEST

The challenges for this book quest will take you through a journey of curiosity, action, reflection, and empowerment. These challenges are meant to get you out of your comfort zone and to create change around you.
AT A GLANCE
How a Book Quest Works

1. Get Ready!
   - Read the letter from Captain Atlas, Mystery Literary Navigator.

2. Start Reading
   - Keep an eye on the Adventure Map for the chapters and page numbers where you will stop along your route.

3. Complete Challenges
   - Complete all the challenges to join the League of Literary Adventurers.
   - You have part of the clue and a National Geographic Explorer will deliver the rest in a video.
   - Watch the Explorer video to get the rest of the clue. Ask your Adventure Guide for the challenge - then complete it!

4. Track Accomplishments
   - Keep evidence of your challenge accomplishments along the way.
   - Take pictures or videos or write about them in this Field Notebook.

5. Optional Bonuses!
   - Increase your knowledge by completing the bonus challenges.

6. Join the League
   - Once you have met all of the challenges and collected the evidence of your accomplishments you are a member.
ADVENTURE MAP
Follow the path on the map and track your progress. Visit Learn Anywhere to receive clues from National Geographic Explorers.
CLUE 1 | First Half

Roz is a curious robot, determined to survive,

The animals think she’s a monster when they see her arrive.

How odd it must be when robot meets the wild,

If robots have feelings, she must be concerned and beguiled.

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CLUE 1 | Second Half

Take notes or have a grown-up help you as you watch the Explorer video.

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NOTES, OBSERVATIONS, AND CHALLENGE EVIDENCE

Evidence can include written explanation, images, video links, audio links, etc. Get creative with documenting your journey - just make sure you document it somehow!
CULTIVATE AN EXPLORER’S MINDSET
Are otters really that curious? Are crabs great climbers?

Explore some basic information about a couple of Roz’s animal encounters here. Record below any important information you discover.

- Charlie and the Curious Otters
- Wait, Crabs Can Climb Trees?!

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CLUE 2  |  First Half

Roz observes a stick bug and voilà! She too learns to hide in plain sight;

Suddenly the whole forest opens up to her senses day and night.

While a flower-covered robot may not be an everyday scene,

We all can learn from our environment - both person and machine!

CLUE 2  |  Second Half

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CULTIVATE AN EXPLORER’S MINDSET

How do animals communicate? Explore some resources to find out, then record any important information you discover.

- Animal Communication
- How Do Animals Communicate?

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CLUE 3 | First Half

Pinktail plays dead and teaches Roz about performing,
Now the acting she does to be a good mother is truly heartwarming.
Mr. Beaver shows Roz how to build a nice home,
Now she and Brightbill have a place to call their own.

CLUE 3 | Second Half
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CULTIVATE AN EXPLORER’S MINDSET
Do beavers really build? Explore some resources to find out, then record any important information you discover.

- Leave It to Beavers: How Beavers Build Dams
- Beavers: Nature’s Engineers

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CHALLENGE 4
The Wild Robot  |  PG 118  |  Chapter 40

CLUE 4 | First Half

ChitChat thinks he annoys everyone with his constant chatter,
But for Brightbill and Roz - no matter his difference - his friendship most matters.
Sometimes those most different from us can become our best collaborators.
By embracing differences, we can transform others from instigator to educator.

CLUE 4 | Second Half
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BONUS CHALLENGE 4
The Wild Robot | PG 95 | Chapter 33

CULTIVATE AN EXPLORER’S MINDSET

CAREFUL! THIS ONE ISN’T FOR EVERYONE!
Does animal poo really help the environment? Explore some resources to find out, then record any important information you discover

- 10 Animals Whose Poop Comes With Perks
- Fruit-eating, seed-pooping animals can help restore degraded forests

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CLUE 5 | First Half

Roz has learned to listen and speak the language of the wilderness, but communication can sometimes be tough—filled with strife or bitterness.

But even tough conversations are still worth having, with bravery, what once was battling could eventually become laughing.

CLUE 5 | Second Half

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CULTIVATE AN EXPLORER’S MINDSET

What are robots in the real world like? Explore some resources to find out, then record below any important information you discover.

- Fun Facts About Robots!
- What is the most advanced robot around today?

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Even though she herself was badly injured by another, Roz rescues Thorn because she is thinking like a mother. That is empathy in action - placing yourself in someone else’s shoes. When living in a community, this is the path we often must choose.

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CULTIVATE AN EXPLORER’S MINDSET

How do birds fly? Explore some resources to find out, then record below any important information you discover.

- How do birds fly?
- Find out how birds fly

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Roz’s first winter on the island is deadly, but she offers support; she builds fires to keep them warm, so no one’s life is cut short. Even the elder animals know this winter is unique, for they have never seen a winter this frigid and bleak.

CLUE 7 | First Half

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CLUE 7 | Second Half
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Remember to ask your Adventure Guide for the challenge!
CULTIVATE AN EXPLORER’S MINDSET

What causes forest fires? Explore some resources to find out, then record below any important information you discover.

- Forest fires: the good and the bad
- Extreme Weather: Climate Feedback Loops

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Brightbill discovers much on his journey south,
His tales of humans and robots spread by word of mouth.
Then trouble follows his stories and the world comes for Roz,
When the island community comes to battle for Roz’s cause.

CLUE 8  | Second Half
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CULTIVATE AN EXPLORER’S MINDSET

Do animals protect other animals? Explore some resources to find out, then record in your guidebook any important information you discover.

- Do animals protect other animals?
- 12 animals that protect their family and work together

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CLUE 9  First Half

Roz must fly away to protect her family and friends. It is sad and she is fearful, but wouldn't hesitate to do it again.

She knows the community needs her and she needs them in return. Wherever she goes now, it will be only for this island she will yearn.

CLUE 9  Second Half

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EXPLORE MORE

The Wild Robot

BOOKS

The Wild Robot Escapes
by Peter Brown

Hoot
by Carl Hiaasen

The Wondrous Workings of Planet Earth
by Rachel Ignotofsky

The Last Wild
by Piers Torday

What Is Climate Change?
By Gail Herman and WHO HQ

Fuzzy Mud
by Louis Sachar

Strange Birds: A Field Guide to Ruffling Feathers
by Celia C. Pérez

National Geographic Summer Book List

ACTIVITIES

Learn more and take action to address climate change.

Make a robot like Roz!

Animal activities

TOPICS TO EXPLORE

Robots
Climate change
Animal behavior
Animal communication
Ecosystems
National Geographic Explorers

FILMS AND SHOWS

Before the Flood
One Strange Rock
I Am Greta
Happy Feet
Wall•E
Big Hero 6
LEAGUE OF LITERARY ADVENTURERS

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has successfully completed the *The Wild Robot* Book Quest challenges and demonstrated:

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