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# Close-Reading Questions

## "What Would It Take to Live Here?"

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1. Describe the purpose of "What Would It Take to Live Here?" (author's purpose)

2. Do you think being structured as a list makes this article any easier or harder to read?  
Explain. (text structure)

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# Critical-Thinking Questions

## “Follow the Water” and “What Would It Take to Live Here?”

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1. Do you think Buddy does the right thing by helping Georgie stow away on the shuttle to Earth?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. What role does hope play in this story?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. The author of “Follow the Water” based her description of the Mars colony on scientific information. Is it important for sci-fi writers to base their writing on real science? Why or why not?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Would you want to be a colonist on Mars? Do “Follow the Water” and “What Would It Take to Live Here?” affect your feelings about being a Mars colonist? Explain.