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Discussion Guide

Focus a discussion on themes from the story that children can relate to their own lives. Guide students in recognizing cause and effect.

- What happens when the grumpy iguana goes lumbering off with sticks stuck in his ears?
- How does one misunderstanding become a big problem?
- What do you learn about the lion from the way he handled the problem?
- Have you and a friend ever had a misunderstanding? What happened?

Demonstrate how easily misunderstandings happen by playing a game of telephone. Gather children in a circle and whisper a sentence to the child on your left or right. Have that child whisper the sentence to the next child. Continue until the sentence goes all the way around. Have the last child say the sentence aloud. Share the original sentence and talk about what happened.

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