



NUGGET AND DOG ALL KETCHUP, NO MUSTARD!

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. How did Dijon Mustard turn evil?
- 2. Why do Nugget and Dog want to become KETCHUP crusaders?
- 3. Would you rather be a KETCHUP crusader or help Dijon and Crouton with GRUMPS? Explain your answer.
- 4. Why does the Monster feel misunderstood?

ACTIVITIES

- 1. **Creative writing/storytelling:** In this book, readers learn how Nugget and Dog first met. Explaining a character's background is called their "origin story" and is a common feature of comic books and graphic novels. Ask students to brainstorm their own KETCHUP crusader and create their origin story. Where does their hero come from? What is their superpower and how did they get it? What are they trying to accomplish?
- 2. **Art connection:** Most of the characters in *All Ketchup, No Mustard!* are food items. Ask students to design a cast of characters for a graphic novel that are related (such as food items, articles of clothing, sports equipment, etc.).
- 3. **Social and emotional learning:** Define and discuss the components of KETCHUP Have students form small groups and choose one of these components as inspiration for a poster or short skit.

