**4. Launch**

1. Why do the adults want to isolate Ender?
2. How do they isolate him?
3. How might/does this isolation make him a stronger leader?
4. How does isolation like this affect a normal child during childhood?
5. How Ender dealt with Bernard on the space craft was a man vs. man conflict. What is the internal (man vs self) conflict that he goes through after that incident?
6. How is the incident with Bernard different and similar to the incident with Stilson?
7. How is Ender like Peter?
8. How is he different?
9. Personal Connection: Have you ever been alienated from your peers or friends for some reason? How did it feel? How do you think Ender feels at Battle School now because of his isolation?

5-**Games**

1. What games are being played at battle school?
2. What mind games are being played as well?
3. How does Ender break up Bernards gang and get rid of Bernards reign of power? Why does he do it?
4. Ender is a “genius” and so far the “best of the best” how does he showcase his special abilities already in this chapter?
	1. How might this skill be useful later?
5. In this chapter being homesick is unacceptable. Why does Ender feel like he can’t cry again? Are these little six year old heroes and genius soldiers supposed to have different feelings than regular children?
6. Graff says, “He can never come to believe that anybody will ever help him out, ever. If he things there’s an easy way out, he’s wrecked.”

“He can have friends. It’s parents he can’t have.”

These ideas are part of Ender’s training. Why can’t he feel like anybody will help him out? Why is that important for Ender as a leader?

How is the idea that nobody will ever come help you harmful for a child?
7. What happens to children who don’t have good role models?

**6- The Giant’s Drink**

1. Why are the talking men so worried about Ender and the computer game?
2. In the battle room, who did Ender use to bridge the gap between the rival gangs?
3. Who is the new leader?
4. One of the voices at the beginning of the chapter said, “This Launch is sick, and he (Ender) is the source of the disease.”

What is this Disease?

How does the Ender cure the disease?

1. How did Ender finally get past the Giant’s drink?
2. How does he feel when he beats the game?
3. Again we see an internal conflict: what is it?