

# *Ghosts on the Coast:* *A Visit to Savannah and the Low Country*

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## **Discussion Questions**

### **Chapter 1**

Why do you think Jennifer Johnson tries to make all of their vacations educational?

### **Chapter 2**

On page 9, when Jennifer Johnson describes the seven feisty ladies who saved an historic house, she tells her kids “all through history people have had to take a stand to defend something they feel is worth saving.” Can you think of some other examples of things that people thought were worth saving?

### **Chapter 3**

Why was the friendship between James Oglethorpe, the founder of Savannah, and the Yamacraw Indian chief, Tomochichi, important?

### **Chapter 4**

Why did the early settlers bring seeds and plant cuttings with them when they were starting a new settlement?

### **Chapter 8**

Do you think the city leaders of Savannah were right to surrender their city to General Sherman during the Civil War? Why or why not?

### **Chapter 9**

Why do the homes in Savannah have so many different styles of architecture?

### **Chapter 10**

Why do you think Savannah has so many ghost stories?

### **Chapter 11**

Why do they call parts of South Carolina the Low Country?

### **Chapter 14**

Why was building the cities of Savannah and Charleston along rivers important?

### **Chapter 15**

What is the significance of Fort Sumter?

### **Chapter 18**

Do you think it's important for the Gullah ladies to continue to weave and sell the sweet grass baskets? Why or why not?

### **Chapter 19**

Do you think sea turtles should be protected? Why or why not.

**Chapter 20**

Do you agree with Joey's mother that he should tell her about any bullying he sees at school, even if it doesn't directly involve him?

**Chapter 21**

Why did Michael's father not want the boys to make lots of noise when they were catching crabs?

**Chapter 23**

Do you agree with Aunt Bunny that people from different cultures have many things in common? If so, name some.

**Chapter 26**

Do you think Bobby and Michael should tell their parents they went crabbing and got into a dangerous situation? Why or why not?