



Use these questions to start a discussion with your family about
The Wild Robot

Feel free to use all or none, using what works for your family!

1. How is Roz similar to a baby animal? (Page 8-10)
2. How does Roz survive?
Why is she so good at adapting?
3. The island's animals call Roz "unnatural" and "a monster." Why might they say this? (Page 50 and 51)
How does Roz win them over?
In what ways is it scary to be different?
In what ways is it scary to meet someone who is different from you?
4. In the story, we learn robots "don't really feel emotions," but Roz feels something. What does she feel?
How does she feel when she realizes she is on an island or when she sees the robot pieces on the beach?
How do Roz's feelings compare with how animals and people experience emotions?
5. What is the Dawn Truce? (Page 49)
What happens at the Dawn Truce?
Why is the Dawn Truce important for the creatures who live on the island?
6. What was the accident? (Page 57 and 58)
What did you THINK Roz was going to do with the goose egg?
What did she end up doing with the goose egg?
7. One of the other gosling moms says, "You'll never be the perfect mother, so just do the best you can" (page 99), was this helpful advice?
Do you think it is true?
8. Do you think the animals start treating Roz differently once she has a garden? (Page 98-99)
Why do you think they are treating her differently?
What are some of the ways their behaviour and attitudes towards her have changed?

9. Why do the bears Nettle and Thorn attack Roz (pages 140–143)?
Why does Roz save Thorn (page 144)?
10. What did the animals learn from Roz?
Do you think they could have learnt any of those things on their own?
Do you think the things they learnt changed their lives? And if so, how?
What would be different for them now?
11. Why can't Roz and Brightbill stop wondering about the button on the back of Roz's head?
Were you worried or scared when Brightbill pushed it (pages 157–160)?
12. Why was Rockmouth the fish so grumpy and attacking other animals? (Page 198)
If you were Rockmouth would you be upset that the beaver dam was now separating you from your home?
What is a home?
Why are homes so important?
Are homes important to everyone in the story?
How do you think Roz feels about her home?
13. How are animal instincts like computer programs?
14. Why do the island animals come to Roz's defense at the novel's end?
Why does Roz leave the island?
15. How do nature and technology clash in the novel?
How do they coexist?
Can nature and technology coexist?
16. How do the illustrations shape your reading of the story?
Which illustration do you like best, and why?
If you were going to draw a picture about this book, what scene would you want to draw and why?
17. *The Wild Robot* is only the first book in the series, what do you think will happen in the next book?