

THE HARVEY SKIDOO TREE SERIES



DISCUSSION: SUGGESTED APPROACH

Encourage students to

•really explore the topics

•offer opinions

•include details

•react to other's opinions

•speculate

•refer to the handout

•incorporate some new vocabulary and grammatical structures



A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY HOME FROM WORK

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