

Bridge Question:

Can you remember a time that you did something you were uncomfortable with, in order to fit in? How did it make you feel? How would you behave differently if you could do it over again?

Opening Question:

In the second paragraph, the author described the collar of Adam's leather jacket. What significance do you think his descriptions through the text held?

Core:

Masculinity

- What is masculinity?
- Who decides what is masculine?
- Are masculinity and being a man the same thing?
- What does it mean to be a man?
- Is masculinity a good thing?

Self Esteem/ Identity

- What influences your self identity/ esteem?
- Where in the story do you see Seth/Adam grappling with their identities?
- What do you think the bridge symbolizes in the story?
- At the end, why do you think Seth throws the jacket in the trash?

Friendship

- What defines Friendship?
- How do you think Seth or Adam would define friendship? Use evidence from the text to support your opinion.
- What situations are created through the ties of friendship?

Closing:

Name one thing that you think differently about after having this discussion.