

AHYOKA AND THE TALKING LEAVES

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Writing Focus #1:

Chapters 1 and 2

Why didn't Ahyoka think her father would understand her picture? Why do you think the words for anger would be hard to draw? What did Ahyoka's mother think of her drawings? Why? Cite from the text to support your thinking. Why did Sequoyah think only of the talking leaves? Why was Ahyoka's mother so angry? Cite from the text to support your thinking.

How did Ahyoka know where to find her father? Why did Sequoyah seem frustrated? How did Ahyoka remember what her mother wanted? Retell the story of the talking leaves. Why did Climbing Bear and his family move away? Why couldn't Ahyoka and her father learn about the talking leaves from the white man's books?