Chapters 13–29

**Read page 10. Why doesn’t Christopher understand the joke?**

Drawn has 3 different meanings and he is trying to think of them all at the same time which confuses him.

**According to Christopher there are no jokes in this book yet why do we often find the novel funny?**Because it is weird/unusual and doesn’t make sense so it is funny in the sense that it is confusing.

**Although the central narrative develops in a linear fashion, the chapters and sections often digress from the central story. Explain what these digressions are and how they add to your understanding of the story.**

It allows us to understand that his mind doesn’t always stay on track and he is often getting side tracked.

**Why does Christopher feel calmer even though the police officer says he is under arrest?**

“This made me feel a lot calmer because it is what policemen say on television and in films” Page 11.

**Why does Christopher find scientific facts reassuring?**

He can think about them and work them out in his head.

**Does the illustration of the Milky Way enhance your understanding of Christopher’s written explanation?**

Yes because you can see what he is trying to explain which makes it easier to understand.

**Why has the author included this information?**

So that we can get a sense of what Christopher is constantly thinking and seeing in his mind.

**How are prime numbers like life, according to Christopher? Give quotes to support. Why does the author / Christopher delay explaining the number pattern of the chapters till now?**

“They are very logical but you could never work out the rules, even if you spent all your time thinking about them.” Page 15

**Identify three things which are unusual and distinctive about Christopher. Use adjectives to describe him such as precise, dispassionate, matter of fact …**Scientific, unique, over thinker,

**Why doesn’t Christopher like people?**

Because they’re confusing: they talk without using words (using their eyebrows) and they use a lot of metaphors.

**How does this help us understand him further? Use quotes for evidence.**

A contributing factor to why he doesn’t know how to talk to people.

**Why does he find metaphors confusing?**

Because he overthinks them and is trying to see the realisation of the metaphor. Like he tries to imagine an apple in someone’s eye which he thinks doesn’t have anything to do with liking someone a lot. Page 20

**Why does he say a metaphor is itself a metaphor?**

Because it means from one place to another and to carry. When you describe something by using a word for something that it isn’t, which means a metaphor is in fact itself a metaphor.

**Christopher doesn’t like his name, why is this?**

Because he doesn’t want his name to mean a story about being kind and helpful. He wants it to mean ‘me’ Page 20

**Why is he never called Chris?**

Because it is not his actual name, and he would prefer to be called Christopher as he was given this name and not Chris.