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After reading "All Summer in a Day" by Ray Bradbury, answer the following questions in complete sentences. Answer all parts of the question.

**Comprehension:**

1. This story opens with the question, "Ready?" Why are the characters getting ready?
2. In what way is Margot's reaction to the constant rain different from the reactions of the other children?
3. How long has Margot lived on Venus? How does this fact affect her reaction to the constant rain?
4. What about Margot makes the children "hate" her so much?
5. When Margot is released from the closet, the kids stand as if "someone had driven them, like so many stakes into the floor.....they could not meet each other's glances" (p. 197). What does this tell us about how the children feel? Why?
6. How is Margot like a captive? Would you describe her as trapped? Explain what role the setting plays in Margot's situation.

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7. Would the children have treated Margot as they did if there had not been many against one? Explain.

8. What has your own experience, or reading, shown you about group behavior versus individual behavior?

***Similes and Metaphors:***

When a comparison is made with words such as *like* or *as*, it is called a **simile**. When a comparison is expressed without words such as *like* or *as*, it is called a **metaphor**. (The sun is a flower.)

Read the following comparisons from "All Summer in a Day". What is being compared in each statement? Decide whether each is a simile or a metaphor.

1. She (Margot) was an old photograph dusted from an album, whitened away....
2. But they were.....feeling the sun on their cheeks like a warm iron.....
3. They stood as if someone had driven them, like so many stakes, into the floor.