

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Name:

LO: I am learning to understand a character's feelings and actions.

**Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo**  
**Everyone Dead in Nagasaki**

Question	Answer
1. What does Kensuke believe has happened to his wife and son? Why?	They both died along with his mother when the atomic bomb was dropped on Nagasaki. Everyone was dead.
2. Do you agree with Kensuke's thoughts (worst nightmare) about his family? Why?	Yes, because an atomic bomb or nuclear bomb does not leave anything behind other than debris. So, people must have died.
3. How do you think Kensuke feels about losing his family?	Very upset and distraught as he was serving in the navy for his country and his family were killed during the war. He has been alone ever since.
4. Why does Kensuke not like people? What does he believe about people?	Kensuke does not like people, he thinks "all people are killer people." This is because he has lived through the war and American 'killer men' have come to his island looking for orangutans and gibbon monkeys.
5. Why did Kensuke decide to stay on the island alone?	Kensuke did not want to go back to Nagasaki as his family were all dead so there was nothing for him there. He wasn't sure if 'killer men' would still come for him or if war was still happening.
6. Do you think Kensuke will have any regrets in his life? Why?	Kensuke may regret that he went to serve his country during World War 2 and left his family behind (as many men did). He may think he could have protected them if he stayed with them.
7. What advice would you give Kensuke if you were Michael?	If I were Michael, I would try to convince Kensuke that we should try and get off the island and that not all people are bad. I would also try to convince him that if we are ever saved we could try and find his family.