Song Lyric Challenge

Look at the words of the song and challenge yourself to answer the questions.

Moana Soundtrack - How Far I'll Go

A song about living on an island





I've been staring at the edge of the water,

Long as I can remember, never really knowing why
I wish I could be the perfect daughter,

But I come back to the water, no matter how hard I try,

Every turn I take, every trail I track, Every path I make, every road leads back,

To the place I know, where I cannot go, Where I long to be.

See the line where the sky meets the sea?
It calls me, and no one knows, how far it goes,
If the wind in my sail on the sea stays behind me,
One day I'll know, If I go there's just no telling how far I'll go.

I know, everybody on this island seems so happy on this island, Everything is by design,
I know, everybody on this island has a role on this island,
So maybe I can roll with mine,
I can lead with pride, I can make us strong,
I'll be satisfied if I play along,
But the voice inside sings a different song, What is wrong with me?

See the light as it shines on the sea? It's blinding,
But no one knows, how deep it goes, And it seems like it's calling out to me,
So come find me And let me know, what's beyond that line,
Will I cross that line?



Comprehension Challenge

Read the whole song first (or you can listen to it by copying this link) https://vimeo.com/248620765

Verse 1

-) Where do you think Moana 'longs to be'?
- 2) What is it about the water that excites her?
- 3) In what ways is Moana not 'the perfect daughter'?
- 4) Explain how Moana has mixed feelings in this verse.

Verse 2

- 7) The songwriter chose to use the word 'seems' rather than 'is' in the first line of this verse.
 What might this suggest about the island?
- 8) What role do you think Moana has on the island?
- 9) What does she mean by 'But the voice inside sings a different song'?
- 10) Why does she question herself at the end of this verse?
- 11) Find two pieces of evidence to prove that Moana is a unique person.
- 12) Why has the songwriter chosen to end the song with a question?





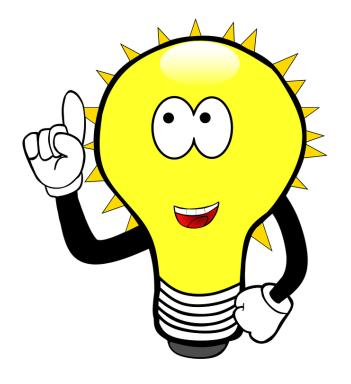
Thinking

Moana is desperate to discover beyond the island.

What does this tell us about her and the island she lives on?

Can you explain the conflict occurring in her head?

What do you think she will do and why? What advice would you give Moana?



Now try the extra challenge.....







Imagine that you are Moana. You have decided to leave the island behind and set sail on the open sea!

Write a prayer that you might say before you go to bed the night before you leave.

What might you ask for? What will you ask God to help you with? What about the family and friends that you are about to leave behind?



