* Describe how *The Wild Trees* tells a story. Is it like other nonfiction books you have read?
* How are the characters in *The Wild Trees* like characters in a novel?
* Do you think *The Wild Trees* has a theme? What is it?
* Were there parts of the story that were suspenseful or dramatic?
* Was the author's point of view apparent in the telling of the story?
* Does the fact that this is a true story make it more or less engaging to you?
* What other kinds of "true" stories do you think can be told in this way?

(Explain your responses.)