



QUESTIONS TO THINK AND TALK ABOUT

SPOT: Historical Fiction

Jumping Into Genre: Historical Fiction

(developing wide reading)



Questions to Think and Talk About After Viewing the SPOT:

- What are the key characteristics of Historical Fiction?
- How long ago is 'history'?
- Describe how an event (e.g. the Civil War) would be presented in a history textbook compared to the same event described in a Historical Fiction story? What similarities would you read about? What differences would you expect?
- Read *The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg* by Roman Philbrick. Discuss with a family member or friend how this book fits into the genre of Historical Fiction.
- Why is it important for the author to tell readers what parts of Historical Fiction stories actually happened and what parts are made up by the author?

