

# ATPE BOOK of the month CLUB

## **Mudshark** by Gary Paulsen

Discussion questions written by Linda Costner and her third-grade students from Van ISD's J.E. Rhodes Primary South School.

1. What type of learned trait did Mudshark have, and how did he use it?
2. Why are the faculty restrooms always in the announcements?
3. How does Ms. Underdorf feel when she finds out the armadillo is fake? Why?
4. How does the parrot know all of the answers to their problems?
5. How does the janitor feel when Mudshark finds out he stole the erasers and why does he feel this way?
6. How does Mudshark feel now that he knows how the parrot gets out of his cage and finds all of the answers to problems?
7. Why does the janitor like art and refer to it as "beauty and peace"?
8. What type of magic trick did Kyle do during the board meeting? What resulted from it?
9. What is the point of the new electronic blackboards?
10. How many problems occur in the story? What are they? Why are they occurring?

