

Finding Chika

Author Mitch Albom

Name:

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Directions: Watch the video called “Mitch Albom talks about his new book ”Finding Chika”:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OvjNK6NGRV4>

1. Summarize what Mitch initially thought was going to happen when they brought Chika to America.

2. Describe some of the initial challenges they faced with Chika’s healthcare, access, and treatments.

Directions: Read Mitch Albom’s biography (you may have to scroll down):

<https://www.mitchalbom.com/about/#revealfullbio>

1. How did Mitch Albom's early passion for music and his transition to journalism influence his career as a writer? What skills or experiences from his time as a musician do you think helped shape his writing?

2. Mitch Albom is known for both his successful sports journalism career and his books like Tuesdays with Morrie. How do you think his background as a sports writer influenced his approach to writing more emotional, human-interest stories?

3. Mitch Albom has founded several charities and worked on community projects in Detroit and Haiti. How do these efforts reflect the themes in his writing, particularly in terms of helping others and making a positive impact?

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Haiti & Orphanage

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Directions: Read this article by Mitch Albom: “[Working with Haiti’s orphans: Smiles make it worthwhile](https://www.mitchalbom.com/working-with-haitis-orphans-smiles-make-it-worthwhile/)” <https://www.mitchalbom.com/working-with-haitis-orphans-smiles-make-it-worthwhile/> and answer the questions below.

1. What motivated Mitch Albom to begin helping children in Haiti, and how did his first experience after the 2010 earthquake influence his decision to start the Have Faith Haiti Mission?

2. Describe the conditions that children in Haiti face, as outlined in the article, and how the Have Faith Haiti Mission provides a better environment for these children.

3. How does Mitch Albom’s background as a writer and philanthropist contribute to his ability to build and run the orphanage in Haiti?

4. The children at the orphanage experience joy despite their difficult circumstances. What does this reveal about the role of education, love, and community in overcoming hardships?

5. Mitch mentions several children’s stories, such as those of Djulene, Nahoum, Kiki, and Appoloste Knox. How do these stories reflect the mission’s impact on the children and the resilience of the human spirit?

6. What are some of the ongoing challenges Haiti faces five years after the earthquake, and how does Mitch Albom suggest outsiders can contribute to improving small parts of the country?

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Introduction to Chika Jigsaw

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Directions: Each group member will watch clip about Chika.

Finding Chika: This is a Story About Love: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=maAaR8rAmzw>

Chika: In Her Own Words: <https://www.facebook.com/MitchAlbom/videos/156537022445388/>

Mitch Albom's Heartbreaking Realization About His Book 'Finding Chika':

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ob-UgiJFyJk>

When Mitch Albom found Chika: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TatbwQfpQfM>

Directions: Complete the questions below based on the video you watched.

1. Write down the title of the video you watched. _____

2. Write down two facts from this video you did not know before.

3. Write down one quote from the video that encouraged you to think deeply about this topic.

4. Each group member will share information about they the video they watched. In the space below, write down 2-3 new facts, ideas, or topics you learned.

Video 1: _____

Video 2: _____

Video 3: _____

