## "All Summer in a Day" Study Questions

- 1. Why do you think Margot acts the way she does—why doesn't she play with her classmates, for example? Why does she react so strongly to the shower?
- 2. Why do you think the other children mistreat Margot? Why do they refuse to believe what she says? Why do you think the boy says, "Nothing's happening today"? What does this show about why people bully others?
- 3. What do you think happens after the story ends?
- 4. What do you think the sun might symbolize in this story? It represents more than just the actual, physical sun. What long-term effect do you think never seeing the sun might have on people? What do you think the story suggests about advanced technology that might allow us to do things like live on Venus?
- 5. What do you think are the themes and messages of the story? Think about the situation the people in Venus are in, as well as the consequences of it, and consider what happens to Margot in the story as well.