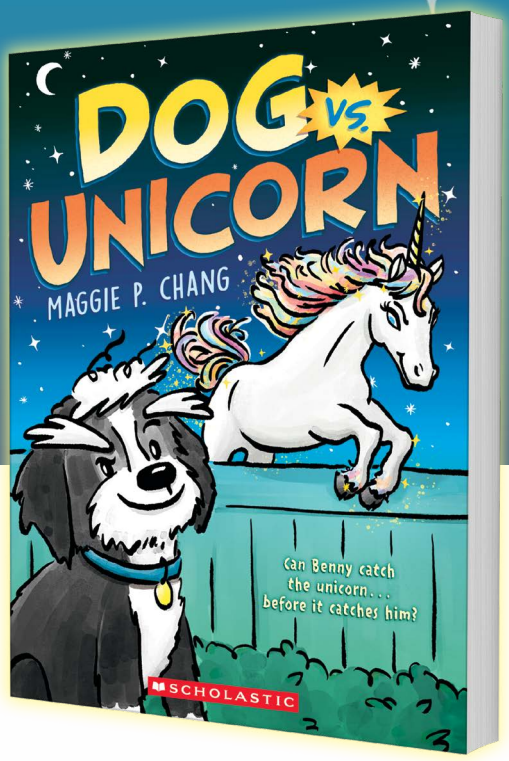

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The Story

***How to Catch a Unicorn* meets *Bunnicula* in this hilarious new series about a reformed bad dog trying to protect his neighborhood from fantastical creatures!**

My name is Benny and I'm the best dog ever.

Well, sort of. My humans like to call me "Bad Dog Benny!"

They called me "BAD DOG BENNY!" last week when I challenged a skunk to a fight. They called me "BAD DOG BENNY!" yesterday when I got so excited that I peed on the floor. And today, they called me "BAD DOG BENNY!" when I got covered in glitter.

But listen, the humans don't know the whole story. The totally not made up, actually happened to me story. The story about how I tried to capture a real, live unicorn.

Reading Group Questions

1. When you first read the book's title, *Dog vs. Unicorn*, who did you think was going to win? Now that you've finished the story, do you have a different opinion?
2. Why did Benny want to catch the unicorn?
3. Benny and Talia encounter many different people and animals in the neighborhood. If you could be any of the characters in this book, who would you be, and why?
4. Talia is looking for a change of scenery when she ends up in Benny's yard. If you could travel through a magic portal to anywhere you wanted, where would you go? What about that place makes you want to visit it?
5. Oscar is adjusting to some changes in his friend group. If you were in his class, what advice would you give him?
6. In this book, Benny is trying to catch a unicorn. If you were writing a story about Benny, what kind of creature would you have him go up against next?

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