



## *The Wild Robot* by Peter Brown

### Discussion Questions

1. How does Roz survive? Why is Roz especially good at adapting?
2. Why do the island's animals call Roz "unnatural" & "a monster" (pg 51)?  
How does she win them over? In what ways is it scary to be different?
3. Though robots "don't really feel emotions" (pg 8), Roz feels *something*.  
What does Roz feel? How do Roz's feelings compare with how animals & people experience emotion?
4. How does Roz become a mother? One of the other gosling moms says, "You'll never be the perfect mother, so just do the best you can" (pg 99). How is this advice helpful & true?
5. Thinking about her purpose in life, Roz muses, "Perhaps I am simply meant to help others" (pg 192). How does Roz go from asking for help to being the helper? How is asking for help an act of courage? How is it a means of survival? Why do you think *your* purpose in life might be?
6. How are animal instincts like computer programs?

7. Why do the island animals come to Roz's defense at the novel's end?  
Why does Roz leave the island?
8. How do nature & technology clash in the novel? How do they coexist?
9. How do the illustrations shape your reading of the story? Which illustration do you like best? Why?
10. What does *The Wild Robot* suggest about the meaning of home?

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