Online Book Club

The Mystery at Jamestown

Talk About It!

- 1. Would you like to tag along with Mimi, Papa, Christina, Grant, and Clue on one of their mystery adventures? Why or why not?
- 2. Why do you think the author, Carole Marsh, picked this particular setting for a story?
- 3. What did you learn about the founding of Jamestown that you did not know?
- 4. What do archaeologists do? Would you like to be an archaeologist?
- 5. Why would people steal historic artifacts? What might they do with them? Are collectors who buy "stolen" artifacts equally quilty of stealing, in your opinion?
- 6. Who does history belong to? Why should we study history? What is history? When will "today" become "history"?
- 7. Were you surprised when Papa discovered the bloodhound puppy? What is a "rescue" dog? What kind of dog would you like to "rescue"?
- 8. What part does cooperation play in the mystery? Creative thinking?
- 9. What is a "red herring" in a mystery story?

10. How does dialogue move the action along in this mystery?

11. What do you think that the author wrote that was
"real"? What do you think she made up?

12. Have you heard of The Lost Colony? Plymouth Rock? What do these events, along with Jamestown, tell you about how America was founded? Hint: Try, try again?!

