

## Chapter 5

### **Comprehension Questions:**

1. How far from Nya's village is the big lake?
2. Why doesn't Nya's family live near the big lake all the time?
3. How does Nya fetch water at the lake?
4. What happened when the group tried to get the honey from the beehive?
5. Why can one man not enjoy the honey?
6. How does Salva meet Marial?
7. Where is the group headed?
8. What do the Dinka call the Atuat and why?

### **Extension/Discussion Questions:**

1. How do you think Salva's journey will be different now that he has made a friend?

### **Science Connection: Bees**

The discovery of a bee hive is a cause for celebration for Salva and his companions. Research to discover the following:

- ◇ What species of bee is found in southern Sudan?
- ◇ Do bees see in color?
- ◇ Is honey straight from a bee hive safe to eat?
- ◇ How long has mankind used honey as a food?
- ◇ How long will honey stay fresh?

## Chapter 6

### **Comprehension Questions:**

1. What does Nya like about the camp at the lake?
2. What is Nya's mother afraid of when the family is at the lake camp?
3. Who calls Salva's name?
4. How long had this person been walking with the group before finding Salva?
5. What does this person have that makes him useful to the group?
6. What causes Salva to be up sick most of a night?
7. What does this person tell Salva after Salva and the group have slept just off the path following a ten hour all-night walk?

*"Would they be  
lucky again?  
Or was it now  
their turn to lose  
someone?"*

### **Extension/Discussion Questions:**

1. When Salva's uncle wakes him, Salva hears someone crying. What does this tell you about the situation?