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World Literature 10

***He-y, Come on Ou-t!***

***Pre-Reading***

1. Explain the saying “Those who live in glass houses should not throw stones”. What do you think this means?
2. Not all aspects of Science Fiction are fantasy. Where do some science fiction writers get their ideas?
3. What traditional belief do many contemporary Japanese science fiction writers explore?
4. What do many Japanese writers warn readers about?

***During Reading:***

**Stop after the first page and answer the following questions:**

1. Predict:
* Where do you think the hole came from?
* What will the villagers do with the hole?

***After Reading:***

1. Why does the old man warn the boy not to throw the pebble in the hole? Does the boy listen?
2. How deep does the scientist say the hole is?
3. Why are the villagers so unconcerned with filling the hole with toxic waste?
4. List seven different items that were thrown into the hole.
5. What do you think the hole symbolizes?
6. Why do you think the hole gives peace of mind to the villagers?
7. Explain the ending of the story. What does this ending symbolize?
8. What warning does this story have for maintaining a clear and safe environment?