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The Detective of the Departed

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. The disappearances of ghosts disrupted the peace and harmony of the Land of the Dead, causing fear and uncertainty among the spirits. It was essential for Detective Sam to solve the mystery to restore balance, maintain the afterlife's tranquility, and ensure that spirits could find peace in their eternal journey.
2. Answers will vary. Some might feel anxious or fearful about the disappearances and would want to assist in solving the mystery by sharing any information they had or working with Detective Sam to uncover clues.
3. Max had spirit abilities that allowed him to sense the presence of the Shadow Specter and guide Sam to the hidden lair. His energy and cooperation were vital in weakening the Shadow Specter. Max's friendly and helpful nature made him an invaluable ally to Sam.
4. Possible lessons include the importance of perseverance in the face of challenges, the value of teamwork and friendship in solving problems, and the idea that individuals should stand up against wrongdoing to maintain peace and balance in their community.

