



THE SCIENCE OF AMUSEMENT PARKS

Tell the Tale

Chapter One of this book discusses a rider's experience on Kingda Ka at Six Flags Great Adventure and Safari. Imagine you are on this ride. Write 200 words about the experience. Would you want to ride it again?





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Surprise Me

Chapter Two discusses the science of roller coasters. After reading this book, what two or three facts about roller coasters did you find most surprising? Write a few sentences about each fact. Why did you find each fact surprising?





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Another View

This book talks about Kingda Ka being one of the most thrilling amusement park rides in the world. As you know, every source is different. Ask a librarian or another adult to help you find another source about rides around the world. Write a short essay comparing and contrasting the new source's point of view with that of this book's author. What is the point of view of each author? How are they similar and why? How are they different and why?



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You Are There

Chapter Three discusses riding on a drop tower ride. Imagine you are riding on one of these and experiencing weightlessness. Write a letter home telling your friends what the experience was like. What do you notice about weightlessness? Be sure to add plenty of detail to your notes.

