

## Chapter 1, 2 and 3 Vocabulary

Using your reading, select three words to define from the dictionary.

## Chapter 1 Questions

1. What is weird about Camp Green Lake?
2. What are the three dangerous creatures at Camp Green Lake?

## Chapter 2 Questions

1. What is the purpose of Camp Green Lake?
2. What do we learn about Stanley Yelnat's family in this chapter?

## Chapter 3 Questions

1. Why do you think that Stanley chooses to go to Camp Green Lake over going to jail?
2. Why does Stanley's family blame their bad luck on Stanley's "no-good-dirty-rotten-pig-stealing-great-great-grandfather"?

## Chapter 1, 2 and 3 Discussion

Look at the front and back covers of the book. Where do you think the story takes place?

## Chapter 4, 5 and 6 Vocabulary

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## Chapter 4 Questions

1. Why are there no fences or guard towers at Camp Green Lake?
2. Why explanation does Mr. Sir give for why he has a gun?

## Chapter 5 Questions

1. How is Mr. Pendanski different from Mr. Sir?
2. What does Stanley not tell Mr. Pendanski that he is really innocent?

## Chapter 6 Questions

1. Why does Stanley not enjoy his first day at the camp?
2. For what crime was Stanley sent to the camp?

## Chapter 4, 5 and 6 Discussion

Do you think Stanley is going to make good friends at Camp Green Lake?

## Chapter 7, 8 and 9 Vocabulary

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### Chapter 7 Questions

1. Why is it advantageous to have a shorter shovel?
2. Why is it so difficult to start digging each hole?

### Chapter 8 Questions

1. Describe the yellow spotted lizard.

### Chapter 9 Questions

1. Why is the second hole the hardest?
2. Why does Stanley lie in the letter to his mom?

### Chapter 7, 8 and 9 Discussion

Do you think Elya's descendants really are doomed for all eternity?

## Chapter 10, 11 and 12 Vocabulary

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### Chapter 10 Questions

1. What does Stanley find in his hole?
2. Why does Stanley become disappointed in this chapter?

### Chapter 11 Questions

1. What does Stanley realize about X-Ray? Why does he think this is weird?
2. What thought helps Stanley dig his hole?

### Chapter 12 Questions

1. What does Mr. Pendanski discuss with the boys?
2. How does Stanley make Zero smile?

### Chapter 10, 11 and 12 Discussion

What do you think the boys are really digging for?

## Chapter 13, 14 and 15 Vocabulary

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### Chapter 13 Questions

1. Why do you think that each hole is harder to dig?
2. How does X-Ray "reward" Stanley?

### Chapter 14 Questions

1. Describe how the Warden looks.
2. What kind of personality does the Warden seem to have?

### Chapter 15 Questions

1. Why does Stanley know that the boys will not find anything else in the area they are in?
2. What does Stanley realize about the purpose of digging the holes?

### Chapter 13, 14 and 15 Discussion

What do you think the gold tube might be?

## Chapter 16, 17 and 18 Vocabulary

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### Chapter 16 Questions

1. What is ironic about the Warden saying they need X-Ray's "sharp eyes"?
2. Why do you think that Zero does not understand the reference to the little old lady who lived in a shoe?

### Chapter 17 Questions

1. What does the Warden do to Armpit?
2. What happens to Stanley?

### Chapter 18 Questions

1. What personal changes is Stanley noticing?
2. Why does Stanley explain he will not teach Zero to read?

### Chapter 16, 17 and 18 Discussion

Do you think Stanley will tell the warden that they're digging in the wrong place?

## Chapter 19, 20 and 21 Vocabulary

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### Chapter 19 Questions

1. Why does Stanley not talk much?
2. Why do you think that Stanley takes the blame?

### Chapter 20 Questions

1. Why does Mr. Sir think Stanley is lying?
2. What is unique about the Warden's nail polish?

### Chapter 21 Questions

1. What does walking back to his hole make Stanley think about?
2. Why do you think that Zero helped Stanley with his hole?

### Chapter 19, 20 and 21 Discussion

What do you think will happen if nothing turns up in the big hole? What do you think will happen to Stanley now?

## Chapter 22, 23 and 24 Vocabulary

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### Chapter 22 Questions

1. What surprising thing does Zero say to Stanley?
2. What deal do Stanley and Zero make?

### Chapter 23 Questions

1. What was Katherine Barlow known for at Green Lake?
2. Why was Katherine expected to marry Trout Walker?

### Chapter 24 Questions

1. Why is Mr. Sir more irritated than normal?
2. What does Mr. Sir do to Stanley?

### Chapter 22, 23 and 24 Discussion

Do you think Stanley and Zero's deal is going to work out well?

## Chapter 25, 26 and 27 Vocabulary

Using your reading, select three words to define from the dictionary.

### Chapter 25 Questions

1. Why do you think that Katherine kept finding things for Sam to fix?
2. Why do you think that Hattie Parker says God will punish Sam and Katherine?

### Chapter 26 Questions

1. Why does the sheriff not help Katherine?
2. What happens to Sam and Mary Lou?

### Chapter 27 Questions

1. Why are the other boys upset with Stanley?
2. Why does Stanley not drink out of his canteen when Mr. Sir finally fills it?

### Chapter 25, 26 and 27 Discussion

Do you think Trout Walker will take no for an answer?

## Chapter 28, 29 and 30 Vocabulary

Using your reading, select three words to define from the dictionary.

### Chapter 28 Questions

1. Where does Kate Barlow settle down and live?
2. What were Kate's last words?

### Chapter 29 Questions

1. How does the weather change?
3. What does Stanley think he sees in the mountains?

### Chapter 30 Questions

1. Why do the boys treat Stanley worse now?
2. How does the Warden react to learning that Stanley has been teaching Zero to read?

### Chapter 28, 29 and 30 Discussion

Where do you think Kate's treasure might be?

## Chapter 31, 32 and 33 Vocabulary

Using your reading, select three words to define from the dictionary.

### Chapter 31 Questions

1. What plan does Stanley come up with?
2. Why do you think that the Warden orders Mr. Pendanski and Mr. Sir to destroy all of Zero's records?

### Chapter 32 Questions

1. What goes wrong with Stanley's plan? What does he do next?
2. What problem is Stanley left with?

### Chapter 33 Questions

1. What do you think that Stanley is looking for in each hole?
2. What does Stanley find at the end of the chapter?

### Chapter 31, 32 and 33 Discussion

What do you think Zero should do next? What would you do?

## Chapter 34, 35 and 36 Vocabulary

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### Chapter 34 Questions

1. What does Stanley see at the beginning of the chapter?
2. Where does Stanley find Zero?

### Chapter 35 Questions

1. What simile does Stanley use to describe Zero's face?
2. Why do you think that Zero refuses to go back to the camp?

### Chapter 36 Questions

1. Why does walking to God's Thumb feel like chasing the moon?
2. What injury does Zero get?

### Chapter 34, 35 and 36 Discussion

Who do you think is hiding under the boat?

## Chapter 37, 38 and 39 Vocabulary

Using your reading, select three words to define from the dictionary.

### Chapter 37 Questions

1. Why do you think that Stanley is scared now that they are almost to God's Thumb?
2. Why do you think that seeing weeds and bugs means they are close?

### Chapter 38 Questions

1. What does the presence of mud indicate?
2. What do the boy eat?

### Chapter 39 Questions

1. Why does Stanley not leave Zero?
2. What does Zero confess to?

## Chapter 37, 38 and 39 Discussion

What do you think the boys will find on the mountain?

## Chapter 40, 41 and 42 Vocabulary

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### Chapter 40 Questions

1. How does Mrs. Tennyson embarrass Hattie?
2. Why is Stanley surprised by how far down the mountain he found the shovel and bag of jars?

### Chapter 41 Questions

1. Why didn't Zero go to the homeless shelter very often when he was homeless?
2. How did Zero and his mother survive when Zero was younger?

### Chapter 42 Questions

1. How did Camp Green Lake change Stanley?
2. What does Stanley now believe about the shoes falling from the sky?

## Chapter 40, 41 and 42 Discussion

What do you believe is the next step in the story?

## Chapter 43, 44 and 45 Vocabulary

Using your reading, select three words to define from the dictionary.

### Chapter 43 Questions

1. What did Stanley and Zero plan to do after digging one last time?
2. Why do Zero and Stanley both deny that they are thirsty?

### Chapter 44 Questions

1. What does Zero decide to do as Stanley digs?
2. What does Stanley find in the hole?

### Chapter 45 Questions

1. Why does the Warden back away from the hole?
2. What does the Warden reveal about her childhood?

### Chapter 43, 44 and 45 Discussion

Do you think the boys are going to get caught?

## Chapter 46, 47 and 48 Vocabulary

Using your reading, select three words to define from the dictionary.

### Chapter 46 Questions

1. What is wrong with the story about Stanley's death that the Warden will give the investigator?
2. Why was Stanley going to be released?

### Chapter 47 Questions

1. How do they discover that the Warden's theory about the lizards not being hungry was wrong?
4. Why does Zero not give the Warden the suitcase?

### Chapter 48 Questions

1. What new lie does the Warden tell?
2. What happens to Zero?

### Chapter 46, 47 and 48 Discussion

Do you think the lizards will bite the boys?



## Chapter 49 and 50 Vocabulary

Using your reading, select three words to define from the dictionary.

## Chapter 49 Questions

1. What new evidence proved Stanley was innocent?
2. What changes at the lake as the boys leave it?

## Chapter 50 Questions

1. What happens to Camp Green Lake?
2. What do Stanley and Zero do with their money?

## Chapter 49 and 50 Discussion

What do you think Stanley would do with the suitcase?