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Sample Pages

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

with Answer Keys

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Short Answer Questions

1 Name: **Capricorn Anderson**

1. What happened the first time Cap saw a police officer up close?
2. Why did Rain and Cap continue to live on Garland Farm?
3. Explain why Cap was homeschooled.
4. Why wasn't Cap's science project entered in the county science fair as the education department tester had suggested?
5. What was Rain doing when she fell and broke her hip?
6. Why was Rain yelling at the doctor when the nurses finally let Cap in to see her?
7. Where were Cap's parents?
8. What did Cap and Rain do when they had a problem?
9. What was Rain's real name?
10. What plans did the doctor make for Cap?



24 Name: Naomi Erlanger

25 Name: Zach Powers

1. Why didn't Naomi talk to Mr. Kasigi after she learned that Cap was no longer a student at C Average?
2. Explain how the Halloween dance was special for C Average students.
3. What did Naomi do when Zach said it wasn't his fault that Cap had been punched in the face?
4. How did Naomi find the house where Cap had been living?
5. Why didn't Sophie and Mrs. Donnelly chat with Naomi and Lena?
6. What argument did Zach use to try to convince his classmates that Cap wasn't dead?
7. What was Zach finding every time he went to his locker?
8. Who agreed with Zach about the school's reaction to Cap's disappearance?
9. What did Hugh say that gave Zach the idea for holding the tribute to Cap?
10. When and where was the tribute to Cap Anderson to be held?



Short Answer Questions Answer Keys

(CCSS: ELA RL. 6.1, 7.1, 8.1 and others according to interpretation.)

1 Name: Capricorn Anderson

1. The first time he saw a police officer up close, Cap was arrested for driving without a license. He was thirteen and driving his grandmother Rain to the hospital.
2. Living on Garland Farm, a commune that had once been populated by fourteen families, allowed Cap and Rain to “escape the money-hungry rat race of modern society.”
3. Cap was homeschooled because he and Rain wanted to “avoid the low standards and cultural poison of a world that had lost its way.”
4. Rain and Cap didn’t believe in competition and trophies and medals, which were symbols of an empty soul. Rain also suspected that the whole thing was a trick to get Cap to go to regular school.
5. Rain was up in a tree, reaching across the limb to pick a plum when she fell. Cap had come to ask if the word *microprocessor* was from the state or one of the words that Rain sometimes added to his eighth grade curriculum list.
6. Rain’s broken hip would have to be pinned. Then she would have to spend eight weeks in rehab. She was Cap’s only caregiver.
7. Cap’s parents had died long ago of malaria while they were with the Peace Corps in Namibia. The only thing Cap knew about them was from old pictures.
8. They talked it out, thought it out, and worked it out.
9. Rain’s real name was Mrs. Rachel Ester Rosenblatt.
10. The doctor planned to call social services to see what arrangement could be made for his care.

About Your Teaching Pack. . .

The Component. . .

Assessment—Short Answer Questions

Short answer questions for each chapter (or groups of chapters) are the first assessment tools. The items encourage and check for careful, *factual* reading. The questions are in *sequence* with the pages they cover,

The short answer questions can be used as

student reading guides

pop quizzes

homework

discussion group guides

conferencing with individual students

Broad CCSS alignment is included in the answer keys.

A final note from the author. . .

It is my personal wish that when the last page has been read, the last activity completed, and the last idea discussed, at least one of your students will ask, "What are we going to read next?"



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