

The Watsons Go To Birmingham

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Directions: Follow the directions for each section based on your understanding of the novel.

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Type your Last Name comma then First Name (your name = proper noun...you know what needs to be done)

1. Last Name, First Name *

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Part 1-Multiple Choice

Directions: Select the best answer choice for each question.



2. 1. The setting of the novel *

1 point

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- ☐ Flint, Michigan
- ☐ Milltown, NJ, Present Day
- ☐ Brown Bomber
- ☐ Flint, Michigan, 1963

3. 2. Byron's best friend, bad influence *

1 point

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- ☐ Larry Dunn
- ☐ Rufus Fry
- ☐ LJ Jones
- ☐ Buphead

4. 3. moves to Flint from Arkansas *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Larry Dunn
- ☐ Rufus
- ☐ L.J. Jones
- ☐ Buphead

5. 4. stole Kenny's dinosaurs *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Larry Dunn
- ☐ Rufus Fry
- ☐ L.J. Jones
- ☐ Buphead

6. 5. lives in Alabama and has a reputation for being tough *

1 point

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- ☐ Larry Dunn
- ☐ Wilona Watson
- ☐ Grandma Sands
- ☐ Joetta Watson

7. 6. stole Kenny's gloves and colored them black to hide it *

1 point

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- ☐ Larry Dunn
- ☐ Wilona Watson
- ☐ Bubhead
- ☐ Rufus Fry
- ☐ LJ Jones

8. 7. narrates the novel, middle Watson sibling, intelligent *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Byron Watson
- ☐ Wilona Watson
- ☐ Kenny Watson
- ☐ Daniel Watson

9. 8. gets his lips stuck to a mirror, oldest Watson *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Byron Watson
- ☐ Wilona Watson
- ☐ Kenny Watson
- ☐ Daniel Watson

10. 9. makes jokes, installs an Ultra Glide in the car *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Byron Watson
- ☐ Wilona Watson
- ☐ Kenny Watson
- ☐ Daniel Watson

11. 10. covers her mouth when she smiles, caring *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Byron Watson
- ☐ Wilona Watson
- ☐ Kenny Watson
- ☐ Daniel Watson

12. 11. very sensitive and religious, youngest sibling *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Joetta Watson
- ☐ Wilona Watson
- ☐ Kenny Watson
- ☐ Daniel Watson

13. 12. The Watson's Car *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Buphead
- ☐ Arkansas Shuffle
- ☐ Alabama Slammer
- ☐ The Brown Bomber
- ☐ Flint

14. 13. Where do the Watsons live? *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Orlando, Florida
- ☐ Milltown, New Jersey
- ☐ Flint, Michigan
- ☐ Birmingham, Alabama
- ☐ New York, New York

15. 14. What does Kenny mean when he says, "I knew God had finally sent me my own personal saver!" *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Kenny found a life preserver in the Brown Bomber.
- ☐ Byron saved Kenny from a bully's attack.
- ☐ Kenny found new dinosaur toys at a garage sale.
- ☐ Rufus and Cody will be teased more than Kenny now.

16. 15. What was the "Ultra Glide"? *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ a new radio
- ☐ a record player
- ☐ a CD player
- ☐ an iPod
- ☐ a plane
- ☐ a blue tooth speaker

17. 16. How does Momma feel about Byron playing with matches? *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ She is really embarrassed by it.
- ☐ She thinks it is hysterical.
- ☐ She is terrified by it.
- ☐ She is proud of it.
- ☐ She loves it.

18. 17. How did Mr. Watson punish Byron for getting the new hairstyle? *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ He shaved Byron's head.
- ☐ He spanked Byron.
- ☐ He burned Byron with matches.
- ☐ He kicked Byron out of the house.

19. 18. Why is the store owner confused when Kenny asks to sign the welfare list? * 1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ The store owner doesn't recognize him.
- ☐ The store owner doesn't let people sign for items.
- ☐ There is no welfare list.
- ☐ The Watsons are not on welfare.

20. 19. What type of narration does the book have? * 1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ first
- ☐ third
- ☐ multiple
- ☐ none

21. 20. The protagonist of a story is the leading character in a story that everyone is supporting, the hero. Who is the protagonist in the story? * 1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Kenny
- ☐ Larry
- ☐ Byron
- ☐ Mr. Watson

22. 21. How does Byron feel after hitting the bird with a rock? *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ excited
- ☐ saddened
- ☐ nervous
- ☐ proud

Part 2-Figurative Language

Directions: Identify the figurative language.



23. 22. "Ok square." Square is an example of.... *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ alliteration
- ☐ onomatopoeia
- ☐ personification
- ☐ simile
- ☐ slang
- ☐ allusion

24. 23. "The door jumped out of the way" is an example of.... *

1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ alliteration
- ☐ onomatopoeia
- ☐ personification
- ☐ simile
- ☐ metaphor
- ☐ allusion

25. 24. "...it still felt like Jack Frost had moved in with us." Jack Frost is an example of:

* 1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ alliteration
- ☐ onomatopoeia
- ☐ personification
- ☐ simile
- ☐ metaphor
- ☐ allusion

26. 25. "You know the rules, finder keepers, losers weepers." p. 21 is an example of.... * 1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ alliteration
☐ idiom
☐ personification
☐ irony
☐ slang
☐ allusion

27. 26. "This is just like that horrible story Kenny read me about that guy Nar-sissy who stared at himself so long he forgot to eat and starved to death." - p. 15 is an example of.... * 1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ alliteration
☐ idiom
☐ personification
☐ irony
☐ slang
☐ allusion

Part 3-Signposts

Directions: Identify the signposts in the following quotes.



28. 27. p. 46 When Mrs. Watson advises Kenny, "Well, give him some time, then try again."

* 1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Again & Again
- ☐ Contrast & Contradiction
- ☐ Memory Moment
- ☐ Words of the Wiser
- ☐ Tough Question
- ☐ AHA Moment

29. 28. "How to Survive a Blizzard, Part One had been last night when I was outside playing in the snow and Byron and his running buddy, Buphead, came walking by." * 1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Again & Again
- ☐ Contrast & Contradiction
- ☐ Memory Moment
- ☐ Words of the Wiser
- ☐ Tough Question
- ☐ AHA Moment

30. 29. "I couldn't believe it. I think Byron was being nice to me." * 1 point

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Again & Again
- ☐ Contrast & Contradiction
- ☐ Memory Moment
- ☐ Words of the Wiser
- ☐ Tough Question
- ☐ AHA Moment

31. 30. "Ready, Aim, Fire" * 1 point

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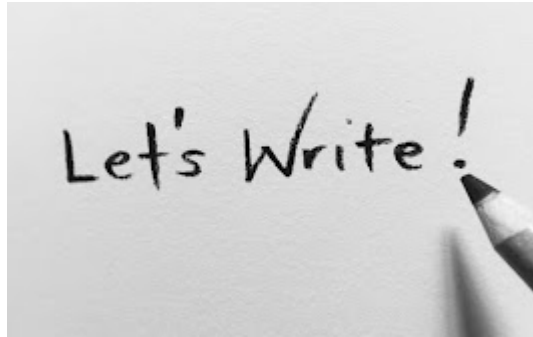
- ☐ Again & Again
- ☐ Contrast & Contradiction
- ☐ Memory Moment
- ☐ Tough Question
- ☐ Words of the Wiser

Essays

Respond completely to each question. Use evidence from the text to support you claim.

Proofread your response.

RACE Restate, Answer, CITE, Explain



32. Use evidence from the book to show that Momma is a caring person and a good mother. *

33. What happened to Momma in the past that made her so upset when she caught Byron playing with matches. Are her feelings justified? Why or why not? (justified = having or shown to have a just, right, or reasonable) *

34. Why is Kenny the victim of bullies? *

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