Vocabulary

A Look up the vocabulary words in the glossary. Write the definition of each word.

1. conspicuous ___________________________________________
2. disheveled _____________________________________________
3. engross _______________________________________________

Story Comprehension

B Write an answer to the question and read the introduction.

4. What type of person says the words, “Take it from me—I know”?

Here are Becky and Bert Baxter again. Bert and Chad are engrossed in their own project, and Becky has formed an opinion about how the summer will turn out. When she sees Chad entering the empty cabin, it doesn’t take long for her to form another opinion.


C Based on the context, write a word from the story to match the meaning of each italicized phrase.

5. ___________________ Becky gave Bert a scolding or sermon. (page 237)
6. ___________________ The pot holders were supposed to be a thing that would keep her happy. (page 238)
7. ___________________ Becky lifted the plant and moved it to a pail. (page 241)
D Circle the letter of the correct ending to each sentence.

8. The story “Take It From Me—I Know” is told by _____.
   a. one of the story characters   b. someone outside the story

9. The story “Take It From Me—I Know” was written from a _____.
   a. first person point of view   b. third person point of view

E An author shows a character’s feelings in different ways. In the first blank write the feeling Becky was experiencing. In the second blank write actions, thoughts, or words to tell how the author showed Becky’s feelings.

10. _______ _________ “I know I’m not going to have any fun at all.”
11. _______ _________ Becky’s usual dimpled smile broke through the frown.
12. _______ _________ Wish I knew where Bert and Chad are.
13. _______ _________ “I’m sure he snitched a handful.”
14. _______ _________ Becky scrambled to her feet and grabbed the pail.

F The setting of a story can affect the characters’ actions. Write the answer to each question.

15. Where was the cabin located? ____________________________________________
16. Were there many or few people living in this area? ____________________________
17. What projects did Becky and Bert work on that help you picture the setting?
    _______________________________________________________
    _______________________________________________________

△ 18. What is one way that the story would be different if the Baxters had been staying in an apartment in the city?
    _______________________________________________________
    _______________________________________________________
    _______________________________________________________
Circle the letter of the conclusion you can draw from reading the paragraph.

19. Songbirds have more highly developed voice boxes than other birds. This allows them to sing and make other sounds. The yellow-breasted chat is a large songbird.
   a. The yellow-breasted chat cannot sing.
   b. The yellow-breasted chat can sing.
   c. The yellow-breasted chat sings a sweet song.

Word Meanings: Roots

A root is a word or part of a word from which other words are formed. Learn the definition of each root in the chart.

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<td>rupt</td>
<td>to break</td>
<td>A volcano that erupts is one that breaks open.</td>
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<td>scrib/script</td>
<td>to write</td>
<td>Scribbling is a hurried and careless way of writing.</td>
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Write the root and the definition that match each picture.

20. ________  21. ________  22. ________
    ________  21. ________  22. ________
    ________  21. ________  22. ________

Looking Back

Circle the letter of the definition of each word, based on the meanings of the prefixes.

23. semigloss
   a. opposite of glossy
   b. partly glossy
24. antidrug
   a. against illegal drugs
   b. to put into a drug
25. substandard
   a. below standard
   b. above standard
26. foreleg
   a. a back leg
   b. a front leg
27. ensnare
   a. to put into a snare
   b. in front of a snare
Story Comprehension

A  This outline summarizes the plot of the story. Write two missing details from the beginning, middle, and end of the story.

△ 1. I. Becky felt left out.
   A. ____________________________________________
   B. ____________________________________________

   II. Becky found things to do.
   A. ____________________________________________
   B. ____________________________________________

   III. Becky noticed unusual things.
   A. ____________________________________________
   B. ____________________________________________

B  Imagine that Becky had told the story. Rewrite the sentence, changing the third person point of view to the first person point of view.

2. Becky scrambled to her feet and grabbed the pail.

   ____________________________________________

C  Write the letters of the choices that complete each analogy.

3. Becky is to _____ as Bert is to _____.
   a. bird-foot violet   b. hide-out   c. wildflower garden
   d. yellow-breasted chat

4. Flower is to _____ as bird is to _____.
Write the idiom used several times in the story that means “to guess the facts about a situation without having enough information.”

5. ________________________________

Fiction: Realistic Fiction

Any story whose characters and events are made up from the author’s imagination is fiction. Fiction is often written for entertainment, but it can also inform the reader of historical events or teach a lesson by telling a story of ordinary people solving ordinary problems.

Realistic fiction is a story that is made up, but seems real. It is often about ordinary characters who face everyday events in a familiar place and time. A story such as “Jelly Beans Forever” seems like it really could have happened, but the author used her imagination to make up the characters and events.

Put a check mark beside each story that is realistic fiction.

6. _____ The characters in “Take It From Me—I Know” are real-to-life, but made up.
7. _____ The characters in “Lions in the Night” were real people.

Lesson Verse

Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the Lord, and depart from evil. Proverbs 3:7

A person who is wise in his own eyes is proud about his own abilities. A person who is wise in God’s eyes respects the Lord and stays away from evil.

Write the answer to the question.

8. Was Becky being wise in her own eyes or in God’s eyes when she liked to think she was sharp at “seeing through” others? ____________________________________________
G  Write the definition of each root.
9. phon _______________  rupt _______________  scrib/script _______________

H  Write a vocabulary word from the first row and its antonym from the second row to complete each sentence.

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10. Harvey's _______________ contrasted with Hunter's _______________.
11. Melissa's _______________ hair was soon combed into _______________ braids.
12. Katrina is _______________ in the project; she certainly doesn’t look _______________ anymore.
13. Uncle Don is tall and _______________; he is never _______________ in a crowd.
14. A bank teller must know the difference between _______________ and _______________ money.

I  Write a vocabulary word in each row to show the progression from least to greatest.

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15. hesitant  ➔ uneasy ➔ _______________
16. reply ➔ _______________ ➔ shout
17. state ➔ _______________ ➔ lie
18. _______________ ➔ ashamed ➔ _______________

J  Complete the memory verse.
19. For _______________ is fulfilled in _______________, even in this; _______________ thy neighbor _______________. Galatians 5:14