Holes – Chapters 6 -10

Chapter 6:

- 1. How long could a camper take a shower for? = 0.15
- 2. What did he have for dinner? = 0.50
- 3. Why was Stanley sent to Camp Green Lake? = 1.10
- 4. Who did the sneakers belong to? = 1.27
- 5. What was his nickname? = 1.30
- 6. What did Clyde do? = 1.60
- 7. Why had he donated his sneakers? = 2.30
- 8. What did Stanley's cot smell of? = 3.01
- 9. What happened to Stanley at school? = 3.13
- 10. What had Derrick done to Stanley on the day he was arrested? = 3.35
- 11. How did Stanley find the sneakers? = 3.55
- 12. Why did Stanley take the sneakers? = 4.15
- 13. Where had the sneakers been stolen from? = 5.12
- 14. What was the expected price that the shoes would be auctioned for? = 5.32
- 15. Why did the judge think that Camp Green Lake would be good for Stanley? = 6.27

Chapter 7:

- 1. What have you heard in this chapter?
- 2. What are the names of the key new characters you hear about?
- 3. What did they have for breakfast? = 1.16
- 4. Did they all get the same shovel or was one person given a different one? = 1.45
- 5. What did Stanley realise after he'd been digging just a short while? = 3.19
- 6. What happened to Stanley's hand? = 3.55
- 7. What was Stanley's great-great grandfather called? = 4.01
- 8. Where was he from? = 4.03
- 9. Who was he in love with? = 4.09
- 10. What was the problem though with the girl he'd fallen in love with? = 4.50
- 11. Who did Elya go to for help? = 4.53
- 12. How did she describe Myra's head? = 5.53
- 13. What did Madame Zeroni do to help Elya? = 6.59
- 14. In exchange for helping him, what did Elya have to do for Madame Zeroni? = 8.17
- 15. If Elya didn't do what he'd promised what would happen to him? = 8.26
- 16. How many blisters did Stanley have on his hands? = 9.21
- 17. Who was first in-line for water from the pickup truck? = 9.49
- 18. How much did Elya's pig weigh after carrying him up the mountain? = 11.36
- 19. Did Elya win the competition against Igor and marry Myra? = 14.31
- 20. What did Stanley have for lunch? = 14.48
- 21. Where did they have to go if they needed the bathroom? = 15.54
- 22. After giving up on his idea to marry Myra, where did Elya go? = 16.42
- 23. How did Stanley describe Zigzag? = 18.03
- 24. What did all of the boys do when they'd finished digging their hole for the day? = 17.41 / 22.47

Chapter 8:

- 1. What are the two things a lot of people do not believe in? = 0.09
- 2. How many spots does the yellow spotted lizard have? = 0.23
- 3. What colour is its body? = 0.28
- 4. How long is it? = 0.30
- 5. What colour are the lizard's eyes? = 0.37
- 6. What colour are its teeth and tongue? = 0.46
- 7. Where do the lizards like to live? = 1.05
- 8. How many can live in one hole? = 1.11
- 9. How do they attack their prey? = 1.18
- 10. What 4 things do they eat? = 1.24
- 11. How many times do you hear the word lizard?

Chapter 9:

- 1. What have you heard in this chapter? Prepare a short summary.
- 2. Vocabulary look at the highlighted vocabulary. Answer the questions at the end of the paragraph where something is marked in yellow. In order to help you understand the vocabulary better you can use these links:

https://www.linguee.com/english-spanish https://www.deepl.com/en/translator https://translate.google.com/

Stanley stood in the shower and let the cold water pour over his hot and sore body. It was four minutes of heaven. For the second day in a row he didn't use soap. He was too tired. = what does "pour over" mean?

There was no roof over the shower building, and the walls were raised up six inches off the ground except in the corners. There was no drain in the floor. The water ran out under the walls and evaporated quickly in the sun. = what do these two phrasal verbs mean?

He put on his clean set of orange clothes. He returned to his tent, put his duty clothes in his crate, got out his pen and box of stationery, and headed to the rec room. = what is "stationery"? The word "rec" is short for what?

A sign on the door said WRECK ROOM. = why did the sign say "wreck" room and not "rec" room?

Nearly everything in the room was broken; the TV, the pinball machine, the furniture. Even the people looked broken, with their worn-out bodies sprawled over the various chairs and sofas. = what does "worn out" mean? If you are "sprawling", what are you doing?

X-Ray and Armpit were playing pool. The surface of the table reminded Stanley of the surface of the lake. It was full of bumps and holes because so many people had carved their initials into the felt. = if you "carve" your initials into something, what are you doing?

There was a hole in the far wall, and an electric fan had been placed in front of it. Cheap airconditioning. At least the fan worked.

As Stanley made his way across the room, he tripped over an outstretched leg.

"Hey, watch it!" said an orange lump on a chair. = what is a lump?

"You watch it," muttered Stanley, too tired to care.

"What'd you say?" the Lump demanded.

"Nothin'," said Stanley.

The Lump rose. He was almost as big as Stanley and a lot tougher. "You said something." He **poked** his fat finger in Stanley's neck. "What'd you say?" = if you "poke" something, what are you doing?

A crowd quickly formed around them. "Be cool," said X-Ray. He put his hand on Stanley's shoulder. "You don't want to mess with the Caveman," he warned. "The Caveman's cool," said Armpit. "I'm not looking for trouble," Stanley said. "I'm just tired, that's all."

The Lump grunted. = if you "grunt", what sound do you make?

X-Ray and Armpit led Stanley over to a couch. Squid slid over to make room as Stanley sat down. = if you "slide over", how are you moving?

"Did you see the Caveman back there?" X-Ray asked. = what is a "Caveman"?

"The Caveman's one tough dude," said Squid, and he lightly punched Stanley's arm. = what is a "dude"?

Stanley leaned back against the torn vinyl upholstery. Despite his shower, his body still radiated heat. "I wasn't trying to start anything," he said. The last thing he wanted to do after killing himself all day on the lake was to get in a fight with a boy called the Caveman. He was glad X-Ray and Armpit had come to his rescue. = if you "lean back" on a chair, what are you doing?

"Well, how'd you like your first hole?" asked Squid. Stanley groaned, and the other boys laughed. "Well, the first hole's the hardest," said Stanley. = what does a "groan" sound like?

"No way," said X-Ray. "The second hole's a lot harder. You're hurting before you even get started. If you think you're sore now, just wait and see how you feel tomorrow morning, right?"

"That's right," said Squid. "Plus, the fun's gone," said X-Ray. "The fun?" asked Stanley. "Don't lie to me," said X-Ray. "I bet you always wanted to dig a big hole, right? Am I right?"

Stanley had never really thought about it before, but he knew better than to tell X-Ray he wasn't right.

"Every kid in the world wants to dig a great big hole," said X-Ray. "To China, right?" "Right," said Stanley. "See what I mean," said X-Ray. "That's what I'm saying. But now the fun's gone. And you still got to do it again, and again, and again." "Camp Fun and Games," said Stanley. "What's in the box?" asked Squid.

Stanley had forgotten he had brought it. "Uh, paper. I was going to write a letter to my mother." "Your mother?" laughed Squid. "She'll worry if I don't." Squid scowled. = if you are "scowling", what are you doing?

Stanley looked around the room. This was the one place in camp where the boys could enjoy themselves, and what'd they do? They wrecked it. The glass on the TV was smashed, as if someone had put his foot through it. Every table and chair seemed to be missing at least one leg. Everything leaned.

He waited to write the letter until after Squid had gotten up and joined the game of pool.

Dear Mom,

Today was my first day at camp, and I've already made some friends. We've been out on the lake all day, so I'm pretty tired. Once I pass the swimming test, I'll get to learn how to water-ski. I...

He stopped writing as he became aware that somebody was reading over his shoulder. He turned to see Zero, standing behind the couch. "I don't want her to worry about me," he explained. = if someone is "reading over your shoulder", what are they doing?

Zero said nothing. He just stared at the letter with a serious, almost angry look on his face. Stanley slipped it back into the stationery box. = what does "slip back" mean?

"Did the shoes have red X's on the back?" Zero asked him. It took Stanley a moment, but then he realized Zero was asking about Clyde Livingston's shoes.

"Yes, they did," he said. He wondered how Zero knew that. Brand X was a popular brand of sneakers. Maybe Clyde Livingston made a commercial for them.

Zero stared at him for a moment, with the same intensity with which he had been staring at the letter.

Stanley poked his finger through a hole in the vinyl couch and pulled out some of the stuffing. He wasn't aware of what he was doing. = what is "vinyl"? If you "pull out" something what are you doing?

"C'mon, Caveman, dinner," said Armpit. "You coming, Caveman?" said Squid. Stanley looked around to see that Armpit and Squid were talking to him. "Uh, sure," he said. He put the piece of stationery back in the box, then got up and followed the boys out to the tables.

The Lump wasn't the Caveman. He was.

He shrugged his left shoulder. It was better than Barf Bag.

Chapter 10:

- 1. What did you hear in this chapter?
- 2. What parts of Stanley's body hurt? = 0.24
- 3. What did Stanley hate? = 0.35
- 4. Did Stanley agree with X-Ray about the second hole being the hardest? = 1.11
- 5. What did Stanley do with his cap? = 1.20
- 6. What had happened to his neck and forehead in the sun the day before? = 1.27
- 7. What special thing did Stanley find? = 2.27 2.37
- 8. What did he think would happen if he gave the rock to Mr Sir or Mr Pendanski? = 3.03
- 9. Who always got water first from the water truck? = 3.39
- 10. What was the order for the rest of the boys in the queue? = 3.47
- 11. What did Mr Pendanski do when he saw Stanley's rock? = 4.40
- 12. What did he say the warden wasn't interested in? = 4.47