

Berry Middle School Eighth Grade Required Summer Reading

Name: _____ Date: _____

Last year, I was (check one) ___7-1 ___7-2 ___7-3 ___7-4 ___another school ___homeschooled

Schooled by Gordon Korman

The eighth grade teachers at Berry Middle School hope you enjoyed reading *Schooled*. The novel will be an important part of class during the first few weeks of eighth grade language arts. Please answer the following review questions. Be prepared to submit the answered questions to your new language arts teacher on the first day of the school year.

A few words, people, and concepts to know...

commune hippie The Beatles tie-dye Bob Dylan organic soap opera tai chi

Reading Review Questions---

1. Describe the setting of the story. _____

2. What is Garland? _____

3. Describe the changes caused by Rain's injury. _____

4. List three words to describe Capricorn's personality. _____

5. With whom did Capricorn live during Rain's hospitalization? _____

6. Why were Rain and Floramundi already acquainted? _____

7. The students changed the name Claverage Middle School to _____ Middle School.

8. Describe the biggest joke that could be played on an eighth grade student at Claverage Middle School. _____

9. Why did the arrival of Capricorn Anderson make Hugh Winkleman a “lucky man”? _____

10. Why did Capricorn meet Sophie? Describe Sophie’s reaction to Capricorn’s presence in her life?

11. Describe Naomi Erlanger’s goal at the beginning of her eighth grade year.

12. Along with planning the Halloween Dance, describe the almost impossible assignment Zach and Naomi gave Capricorn to accomplish. _____

13. Who was Lorelei Lumley? _____

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14. Describe Capricorn's actions when he found a dead bird in his locker.

15. How did Capricorn compare academically to the other students? _____

16. What action did Sophie take to stop Capricorn's morning tai chi sessions on the front lawn?

17. Name the product Capricorn thought to be the most useful on earth. _____

18. What was *Trigonometry and Tears*? How did it help Capricorn? _____

19. Describe Capricorn's reaction when other students tripped him, kicked his feet out from under him, shot spitballs and rubber bands at him, and threw apple cores and soup at him.

20. What action caused Capricorn to become an instant hero in the eyes of students and adults?

21. Capricorn wrote checks for items unrelated to the dance. Name two.

22. Why did Capricorn buy a bracelet? _____

23. Hugh and Zach almost caused serious injury to Capricorn at the pep rally when they dressed Cap as _____.

24. The ambulance picked up Capricorn from the school because _____

25. The other students thought the ambulance took Capricorn because _____

26. Why did Sophie begin to cry during her driving test? _____

27. When the Halloween Dance was canceled, the entire school met together anyway to _____

28. Capricorn disobeyed Rain for the first time when he _____

29. Capricorn amazed the crowd of students that gathered by _____

30. As the story ends, Rain shocks Capricorn by telling him that she has _____

Capricorn often quotes Rain's wise sayings. Write one of the sayings, and tell what you think Capricorn means when he says it. _____

