

Week 1 Assessment

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1. Kenny believes the neighbors secretly call his family
 - A. Wacky Watsons
 - B. Weird Watsons
 - C. Wonderful Watsons
 - D. Worrying Watson
2. How to Survive a Blizzard was?
 - A. Byron looking out for Kenny
 - B. A class in school to get ready for the winter
 - C. Byron and Buphead teasing and tormenting Kenny
 - D. Kenny teasing Byron

3. “Folks there live in these things called *igloos*.

In the sentence above, the word *igloos* most closely means:

- A. A dome-shaped house made from blocks of snow
 - B. A square-shaped house made from sticks
 - C. A round-shaped house made from straw
 - D. A diamond-shaped house made of animal hide
4. In the sentence “He was *yakking* a mile a minute, saying stuff like ‘Your momma sure can make a good peanut butter sandwich’ and ‘How come these kids are so darn mean’”.

The word *yakking* most closely means:

- A. Prolonged, sometimes senseless talk
 - B. Throwing up of food
 - C. An uncomfortable silence
 - D. Incapable of being heard
5. She always blamed him for bringing her all the from Alabama to Michigan, a state she called a giant icebox(2.)

The above is an example of what kind of paragraph?

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| A. Persuasive Paragraph | C. Metaphorical Paragraph |
| B. Expository Paragraph | D. Narrative Paragraph |

6. Place the following events in chronological order:
1. It was about a zillion degrees below zero
 2. Byron was a God at Clark Elementary
 3. Byron gets his lips to car mirror
 4. Kenny shared his lunch with Rufus and Cody
- A. 3, 2, 4, 1
B. 1, 4, 3, 2
C. 1, 3, 2, 4
D. 2, 4, 3, 1
7. Radioactivity is
- A. The release of energetic particles
B. The activity of a radio
C. A radio station in 1963
D. The movement of radio waves
8. We tugged and tugged and the shoe started coming out and inch at a time. Finally it made that funny sound like water going down the drain and slid out of the boot. These sentences is an example of
- A. alliteration
B. foreshadowing
C. metaphor
D. simile
9. Which of the following best describe how Kenny felt heading home after reading in Byron's class
- A. Afraid of having to do it again
B. Proud of himself
C. Worried about getting home alive
D. Happy with the day
10. What impact did having Rufus in class have on Kenny's life?
- A. People started leaving Kenny alone and going right after Rufus
B. No impact at all everything was the same
C. Byron told the students to lay off Kenny
D. Kenny went to the teacher and complained for both of them

Week 2 Assessment

Directions: Choose the letter representing the best answer for each question.

1. What are Maytag Washes that Larry Dunn gives to the kids at Clark Elementary
 - E. Doing the PE uniforms for the coaches
 - F. Yanking the students underwear giving them a “wedgie”
 - G. Washing the lunchroom dishes to help the cafeteria staff
 - H. Taking a handful of snow and smashing it in your face
2. How does Joey stop Momma from burning Byron with a match?
 - A. By biting Kenny and getting herself in trouble
 - B. By crying and throwing a fit
 - C. By blowing out all the matches
 - D. By having Kenny distract Momma so Byron could escape
3. “Byron *squirmed* around for a second and then did something I’d only see him do a couple times before.

In the sentence above, the word *squirmed* most closely means:

- A. To step something flat
 - B. To twist about in a wriggling, snakelike motion
 - C. To sit in one place without moving
 - D. To jump up and down in one place
4. In the sentence “If you *squint* your eyes and look real hard, there’s no doubt about it, this boy’s got a real mustache going here!”.

The word *squint* most closely means:

- A. To look with eyes partly closed
 - B. To look with eyes wide open
 - C. To close your eyes and imagine things
 - D. To look through glasses
5. If you were stupid enough to ask your question again there would be the loudest quiet in the world coming from Momma (75.)

The above is an example of what kind of sentence?

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| A. Persuasive Sentence | C. Oxymoron Sentence |
| B. Expository Sentence | D. Narrative Sentence |

6. Place the following events in chronological order:
1. Kenny pulled a trick on Momma to give Rufus his extra pair of gloves so they could both get in the snowball fights
 2. Momma sent Kenny and Byron to the store for groceries without money; the boys believed the family was on welfare
 3. Larry Dunn had a pair of rabbit lined gloves shortly after Kenny's were stolen, except his were black
 4. After killing the bird with a Swedish Crème cookie Byron threw up and then cried; surprising Kenny.
- A. 3, 2, 4, 1
B. 1, 4, 3, 2
C. 1, 3, 2, 4
D. 2, 4, 3, 1
7. A *peon* is:
- A. A very poor person
B. A well educated person
C. A type of bird
D. A nickname for young kids
8. Momma pushed Kenny out of the way and busted down the bathroom door like Eliot Ness
- A. alliteration
B. foreshadowing
C. metaphor
D. simile
9. The Great Carp Escape was Byron's excuse to do what?
- A. Skip school
B. Humiliate Kenny in front of the whole school
C. Let fish go in Lake Michigan
D. Beat up Larry Dunn by throwing him against the fence
10. His hair was reddish brown, straight, stiff and slick looking. Parts of it stuck up like porcupine stickers because Momma hadn't been too gentle when she snatched the handkerchief off.
- Byron had done what to his hair to cause the above:
- A. Gotten a conk, a butter or a do
B. Colored and processed his hair
C. Nothing that is how he woke up in the morning
D. Both a and b

Week 3 Assessment

Directions: Choose the letter representing the best answer for each question.

1. What is the TT AB-700 Ultra-Glide?

- I. Cruise control device
- J. A drive-around record player
- K. A state of the art police radar detector
- L. Electric windows and doors

2. Kenny never thought Byron would be sent to Grandma Sands for all of the following reasons **except**:

- A. Alabama was about two million miles from Flint and Momma wouldn't allow him to ride the bus alone
- B. Momma and Dad were always threatening to do stuff to Byron that they wouldn't do
- C. Byron really wanted to go and that's why he got into trouble
- D. The horrible stories about how strict Grandma Sands was

3. "I was so tired that I even used a couple *outhouses*, but I kept the door open and made Dad stand outside so in case I fell in he'd be able to pull me out.

In the sentence above, the word *outhouses* most closely means:

- A. An enclosed structure having one or two holes in a seat built over a pit and serving as an outdoor toilet
- B. An open structure without walls serving as an outdoor toilet
- C. A hole in the ground used for an outdoor toilet
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4. In the sentence "I thought Grandma Sands would be bigger than Dad, thought she'd be foaming at the mouth like she had *rabies*".

The word *rabies* most closely means:

- A. A fatal disease that is transmitted by the bite of infected animals usually wolves, dogs and cats typically foaming at the mouth
- B. A version of the common cold
- C. A non-fatal uninfected bump on the inside of a human mouth
- D. Incapable of being heard usually effecting older women in the South

5. What was the song Kenny chose to play all four times he got to chose?

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| A. Under the Boardwalk | C. Yakety Yak |
| B. Only You | D. That Thing You Do |

11. Place the following events in chronological order:
1. Momma broke the news that the family was going to drive to Alabama and Byron would stay with Grandma Sands for the summer.
 2. Dad explains they'd better get used to the outhouse as that is what they'll be using at Grandma Sands
 3. Momma and Dad had Byron sleep with them the night before the trip as they heard the may runaway
 4. Dad says he's going to have all the Watsons names changed to "country names"
- A. 3, 2, 4, 1
B. 1, 4, 3, 2
C. 1, 3, 2, 4
D. 2, 4, 3, 1
12. An *expressway* is
- A. A major divided highway designed for high-speed travel, having few or no intersections
 - B. A highway without tolls
 - C. A public road that all may use
 - D. All of the above
13. "Oh no, et tu Brute? This sentence is an example of
- A. alliteration
 - B. foreshadowing
 - C. metaphor
 - D. allusion
14. What explanation does Dad give Kenny when he asks the reason for buying the TT-700 Ultra Glide for the Brown Bomber?
- A. Momma really enjoyed music and he wanted to make her happy
 - B. He wanted a new toy for the trip
 - C. South of Cincinnati the kind of radio stations was hillbilly music
 - D. He planned to drive straight through and needed to stay awake
15. What did the article from *Scientific Popular* teach Dad?
- A. That making the sound of a vacuum cleaner would put everyone to sleep
 - B. Driving over the speed limits gets better gas mileage
 - C. Police don't give you tickets if you drive in the right lane
 - D. Hillbilly music makes the trip go faster

Answer Keys

Week 1 Assessment

1. B
2. C
3. A
4. A
5. C
6. C
7. A
8. D
9. C
10. A

Week 2 Assessment

1. D
2. C
3. B
4. A
5. C
6. C
7. A
8. D
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Week 3 Assessment

1. B
2. C
3. A
4. A
5. C
6. C
7. D
8. D
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10. A

Final Assessment

1. B
2. A
3. D
4. A
5. D
6. B
7. D
8. D
9. B
10. A
11. D
12. A
13. A
14. B
15. D
16. A
17. C
18. B
19. A
20. B
21. B
22. A
23. A
24. B

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13. "You was so *puny* when you was born you nearly worried us crazy.

In the sentence above, the word *puny* most closely means:

- A. small and weak
 - B. big and strong
 - C. sick all the time
 - D. healthy as a horse
14. Instead of King Kong and Godzilla, it was like King Kong and Bambi; instead of Bobo Brazil and the Sheik, it was like Bobo Brazil and Captain Kangaroo; instead of Dracula and Frankenstein it was like Dracula and a giraffe, and Byron was all neck." (161)

The above is an example of what kind of paragraph?

- A. Persuasive Paragraph
 - B. Analogy Paragraph
 - C. Metaphorical Paragraph
 - D. Narrative Paragraph
15. All the sound and light from Alabama disappeared because my eyes automatically shut and it seemed like my ears were stuffed with cotton.

These sentences is an example of

- A. alliteration
- B. foreshadowing
- C. metaphor
- D. simile

16. Stingy is
- A. Unwilling to spend and give
 - B. Very charitable and giving
 - C. Rude and disrespectful
 - D. Happy and cheery
17. Place the following events in chronological order:
- 5. Byron told Kenny and Joey a story about Wool Pooh as a way of discouraging Kenny from going to Collier's Landing.
 - 6. After going under water the third time Kenny believed he saw and battled Wool Pooh
 - 7. Kenny comes up with the idea that Joe Collier lied about Wool Pooh so he wouldn't have to share his lake
 - 8. After dropping Kenny on his head Byron kissed Kenny's head and cried like a baby
- A. 3, 2, 4, 1
 - B. 1, 4, 3, 2
 - C. 1, 3, 2, 4
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18. How did Kenny finally get free of Wool Pooh?
- A. He swam away on his own
 - B. Byron rescued him
 - C. Joey brought the fire department
 - D. Joe Collier threw him a rope
19. In *The Watsons Go to Birmingham 1963*, the point of view of the narrator is
- A. first person
 - B. third person limited omniscient
 - C. third person objective
 - D. third person omniscient
20. Why did Kenny take the shiny black shoe with him from the church?
- A. He wanted a souvenir from Birmingham
 - B. He thought it was Joey's
 - C. He needed to show Momma and Dad
 - D. Byron told him to take it

21. What was the World-Famous Watson Pet Hospital?
- A. The Watsons side business
 - B. The place where the Watsons animals went if something bad happened to them
 - C. Behind the garage where the animals were buried
 - D. The place in the basement they locked up the sick animals

22. The Epilogue of a story is?

- A. Is the final segment of a book, which comes after the end
- B. Is the first segment of a book, which comes before the beginning
- C. The part of the book explaining the chapter breakdown
- D.

23. "You ain't got no cause to be *ashamed* or scared of nothing".

In the sentence above, the word *ashamed* most closely means:

- A. overcome with shame, guilt, or remorse
- B. a strong feeling of pride and excitement
- C. panic and terror
- D. a feeling of indifference or lack of caring

24. Place the following events in chronological order:

- 1. Momma and Dad were worried about Kenny and where he was disappearing to
- 2. Kenny admits to Byron he was at the church, saw two of the dead little girls and felt ashamed
- 3. Byron started watching over Kenny; even sleeping on the couch at nights
- 4. Kenny moved into the World-Famous Watson Pet Hospital, where all the sick or hurt Watsons animals would automatically go.

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- C. 1, 3, 2, 4
- D. 2, 4, 3, 1