

## Chapters 1—5

### **Comprehension Check Questions**

**Directions:** Answer the following questions to help guide your understanding of the events in each chapter. Write your answers in complete sentences on a separate sheet of paper.

#### **Chapter 1**

1. Where is Camp Green Lake and what is it like there?
2. Based on the statement “the Warden owns the shade” what kind of person do you think the Warden is?
3. How should campers treat the rattlesnakes and scorpions?
4. What is the worst thing that can happen at Camp Green Lake? Why?
5. Explain why the narrator makes this warning to the readers at the beginning of the book.

#### **Chapter 2**

1. Who goes to Camp Green Lake and why?
2. What choice did the judge give Stanley Yelnats?
3. Draw a conclusion about what Stanley might think the camp is like.

#### **Chapter 3**

1. Describe Stanley Yelnats.
2. What is unusual about Stanley’s name?
3. What does Stanley’s father do? What is his current project?
4. What is the family joke about the no-good-dirty-rotten-pig-stealing-great-great-grandfather?
5. What happened to Stanley’s great-grandfather, the first Stanley Yelnats?
6. Analyze Stanley’s “luck.” Does Stanley really have bad luck or does he deserve to be at the camp?

#### **Chapter 4**

1. Who is Mr. Sir?
2. Write two unusual things about Mr. Sir.
3. The bus driver tells Mr. Sir “Nine hours here and now nine hours back.” Mr. Sir then shows Stanley the outside of the camp. From this, what can you infer about the camp?
4. According to Mr. Sir, what will Stanley’s days be like at camp?
5. Analyze Mr. Sir’s statement when he says, “You’re not in the Girl Scouts anymore”?

#### **Chapter 5**

1. Who is Mr. Pendanski?
2. What is the one rule Mr. Pendanski tells Stanley he must obey?
3. Who are the other boys in tent D?
4. What does Mr. Pendanski say about Zero?
5. What do the boys call Mr. Pendanski? Why do you think they call him that?
6. Evaluate Armpit’s behavior. Why do you think he got so angry with Stanley when he called him Theodore instead of Armpit?