

7th Grade Summer reading

Alabama Moon by Watt Key

Study questions

1. Who is the main character in Alabama Moon?
2. How old is this character?
3. What did Pap say Momma reminded him of?
4. Who owned the land in the beginning of the book?
5. Who bought the land?
6. What is his occupation?
7. Where was the only place the main character and Pap went?
8. What happened to Pap that caused an injury?
9. Who, according to Pap, thinks we owe something?
10. How did Pap die?
11. Where does Pap want his son to go?
12. Describe how Moon felt the day after he buried his Pap.
13. Why did Moon attack Mr. Abroscotto?
14. What was the last thing Mr. Abroscotto did before Moon left his store?
15. Why did Moon go to Mr. Wellington's houses?
16. Who did Mr. Wellington call to help Moon?
17. What upset Moon's stomach?
18. How did Moon escape and from whom?
19. How was Moon recaptured and by whom?
20. Where was he first taken?
21. What does Constable Sanders' father do?
22. Who does the constable turn Moon over to?
23. How does the constable describe moon?
24. Describe how Moon reacts to food and other "modern conveniences" while at Pinson.
25. Who does Moon have trouble with and why?
26. Why did Moon trade sleeping arrangements with Hal?
27. The boys want to make Moon president of Pinson. Does this surprise you? What does this tell you about Moon? How does Moon feel about this?
28. Who does Moon get to help him and Kit escape from the Boys' Home? Why is this surprising?
29. Describe how the boys escape?
30. What type of vehicle does Hal get for their escape?
31. How many boys go with them?
32. What are some of the conditions of leaving the Boys' Home and living in the forest that the other kids don't realize?
33. Describe Moon's leadership skills during the escape and right after?
34. How many of the boys decide to return to the home and why?
35. What came after Moon that reacted differently than he expected?
36. While the boys were in the forest with Moon, they learned many "do's and don'ts about living in the wild. Write about 3 interesting discoveries Kit and Hall made with Moon's help.

37. Discuss some of the things that Hal was upset about. What does he know that Moon may not? What does he decide to do?
38. Why do Moon and Kit name the creek Deer creek?
39. Why is Moon so set on coming into contact and “whipping” Sanders?
40. Why is Sanders so set on “catching” Moon?
41. What happens with Kit and how does Moon feel about it?
42. Where does Moon go after he sees that Kit gets medical attention?
43. Moon is learning that his Pap was wrong about a lot of things. What are some of those things?
44. What are some of the things Hal’s dad lets Moon do that he’s never done before?
45. Moon’s letter reveals that he has changed his mind about going to Alaska. Why?
46. Was Moon a good friend to Kit? Explain your answer.
47. Where does Moon want to go and why?
48. What happened as a result of him going there?
49. Where was Moon taken after this and by whom?
50. While there who did Moon run into and how was he/she able to help him?
51. Where was Moon taken next?
52. How does Mr. Wellington convince the judge that Sanders is lying? How does Hal help Moon’s defense?
53. What happened to Kit? What type of feelings does this create?
54. Where does Moon go in the end of the novel?
55. How was Moon’s father like Uncle Mike? How is he different?
56. At the end of the story, Moon tells Uncle Mike, “ I’m gonna be fine. You don’t need to worry about me.” Do you think he’s right? Explain your answer.