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Study Guide

Galactic Fun Park
Book One
by Mason Bell



A great fictional read-aloud book for middle schools.

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ıaı	pter 1		
1.	What is the point of	f view for Galactic Fun Park?	
	1st person	3rd person	
	2nd person	Omniscient	
2.	What is the setting	for Galactic Fun Park? Give examples from the text	
3.	Who are That One a	and Black? Based on Chapter 1, what is their job in	
4.	Why are the brothe	rs worried about the exterminator?	
5.	Match each animal with their assigned park area.		
	Roaches	A. Rover's Landing	
	Cats	B. Eagle's Tale	
	Rats	C. Moon Man	
	Raccoons	D. Winner's Orbit	

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ha	pter 2			
1.	Eagle's Tale is the kiddie section of Galactic Fun Park. Which species lives there? Who is their leader?			
2.	List three problems faced by the residents of Eagle's Tale.			
3.	Label each statement True or False.			
	All rats in Eagle's Tale are warriorsMinister Balmore has a blue paw.			
	Food is plentiful during the summer monthsRats worship the funnel cake.			
	Exterminators are working in the park.			
4.	The rat/mischief community needs volunteers to enlist in the Warrior Class. Why would such a group be necessary? Give two examples from the text to back up your answer.			

hapter 3			
1.		over's Landing is the only section of Galactic Fun Park that has a ollercoaster, the Surveyor '98. Which species lives there? Who is their eader?	
2.	•	n does the clowder face? Which three cats set out for an at skill does each possess?	
3.	3. Identify if the statement is a simile, onomatopoeia, or personification.		
		"His mournful eyes jerked to the plodding of paws approaching from the lift."	
		"Fear captured the clowder's imagination."	
		"Bubba Squeakers approached the winding trail of slick algae that layered the pavement and slithered into the storm drain."	
		"Roaches emerged from the back area's dark corners, hissing and tapping their antennas on the cement as a fight over a cupcake ensued."	
		"Her teeth chattered as if chasing an invisible bird."	

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Cha	Chapter 4			
1.	1. Moon Man is the closest area to the front gate of Galactic Fun Park. Which species lives in Moon Man? Who is their leader?			
2.	2. Explain 'The Giant Leap' and its purpose.			
3.	3. What are some personality traits of the roaches/intrusion in Moon Man?			
	List an example from the book for each trait.			
	Trait	Example		

Cha	pters 5-6		
1.	Bubba Squeakers and Minister Balmore are on separate missions to find the exterminator. Compare their reactions to the idea of working together. Give examples from the book.		
2.	Match each cause with the effect.		
	Cause		
	The roach council dislikes the new Grand Jeffery.		
	Minister Balmore wants more power.		
	Nibbler challenges Minister Balmore.		
	Grand Jeffery is nearing his last molting phase.		
	Exterminators are in the park.		
	Effect		
	a. He tires easily and speaks few words to conserve energy.		

- b. He refuses to work with Bubba Squeakers or Grand Jeffery.
- c. Residents, like the opossums, are moving outside the gate.
- d. They sent the new Grand Jeffery on a dangerous mission.
- e. Jumped by rats, he falls into the retention pond.

Chapters 7-8

1.	Label each statement True or False.
	Mr. Jenkins warns of cowbirds in the park.
	Grand Jeffery banishes Gumnic to the Neutral Zone.
	Tartel is loyal to Jeffery.
	Grand Jeffery will seek advice from the Bandit Queen.
2.	The 'Neutral Zone' is mentioned several times in Chapter 8. What evidence from the chapter shows that the 'Neutral Zone' is not a good place?
3.	Predict what will happen to Tartel and Gumnic in the 'Neutral Zone.' Back up your answer with examples from the book.

	Name:		
Cha	pter 9		
1.	Which species lives in Winner's Orbit? Who is their leader?		
2.	Hammond will be the next leader of the raccoons, but arguing with his mother shows his immaturity. How can the Bandit Queen help her son		
	grow into a leader?		
3.	Does the Bandit Queen trust Grand Jeffery? Give examples from the chapter to back up your answer.		
4.	Bandit Queen seeks advice from the Elder Council composed of the wisest raccoons. Basil the Just, Elm the Kind, Kia the Brave, and Gerick the Deaf are crucial to the gaze community despite their physical limitations.		
	How can each of us follow their lead and be more inclusive with others in our community?		

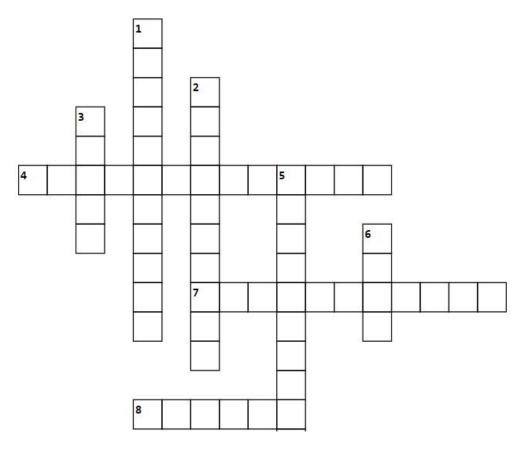
Describe how each character responds to the events listed below. Give Examples from Chapter 10.

Event	Response	Example
Cats learn of the other leaders' unwillingness to help.		
Ant hills are damaged by the cats.		
Bubba discovers the caged, store-bought cat food.		
Ivy is encouraged to try the new cat food.		

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Vocabulary, Chapters 1-10

Nomad – Unrelenting – Putrid – Molt –
Commemorative – Exoskeleton – Threshold – Enrollment



Across

- 4. Acting as a memorial or mark of an event
- 7. An external covering for the body providing support and protection
- 8. Decaying or rotting and emitting a fetid smell

Down

- 1. Not yielding in strength, severity, or determination
- 2. The action of enrolling or being enrolled
- 3. A member of a people having no permanent abode
- 5. A point of entry or beginning
- 6. To shed old body coverings to make way for new growth

Chapter 11	
 Read the passage below. Based on what you know about the mischief would Minister Balmore use such powerful language? Give two exam back up your answer. 	
Minister Balmore rose to his hind legs. "Tonight, we show the residents of this park we are the most honorable species. Tonight, we will find the traps set for us and prevail over our enemies." His red paw shot into the air. "FOR THE GLORY!" "FOR THE FUNNEL!"	
2. Minister Balmore is a challenging leader, expecting the best from his community. Give an example of his more vulnerable side, contradictin stern outer persona.	g this
3. What role does funnel cake play in the mischief community? ———————————————————————————————————	

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าล	pter 12
1.	Describe the traditional way a roach marks danger in Galactic Fun Park, then draw your impression of the marking in the box.
2.	What species is stalking Grand Jeffery? How does the roach leader survive?
3.	At the end of Chapter 12, Grand Jeffery makes a startling discovery. What is his discovery? How could it change his outlook on other species?

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1. Describe a trait for each character using examples from Chapter 13.

Character	Trait	Example
Bandit Queen— Gaze Leader		
Misti— Leader's Best Friend		
Raffy— Gaze Member		
Hammond— Leader's son		

۷.	Bandit Queen asks Raffy to find a travel buddy. Is this restriction on his
	freedom justified? Back up your answer with examples from the text.

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Chapters 14-15

1.	dentify if the statement is a simile, onomatopoeia, or personification.
	"A soft blue sky awakened over the park's shops,
	irritating Maurice with its optimism for a beautiful day."
	"Water puddles left by the washers splashed under the cart's small tires as it skidded into Eagle's Tale."
	"The rank odor of mildew and death slipped from the one-inch opening and spread its tentacles into the far corners of the room."
	"Every blind corner and brick wall quieted the chirping from his puckered lips."
	"Maurice hadn't a chance to stop the hairpulling as several other rats clawed at his neck and bit at his exposed fingers like week-old corn dogs."
2.	How does Maurice handle the surprises left by the residents?
3.	List two grievances from Galactic Fun Park employees concerning the cowbirds.

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1. 1	Number the nine events from Chapter 16 in chronological order.
_	Fred, the security guard, frightens Hammond and Queen.
_	Hammond watches the exterminators flee the park.
-	Wild dogs attack Birnam's family in Winner's Orbit.
_	Hammond has trouble running as fast as Bandit Queen.
-	Hammond apologies to his mother for being so mean.
_	The alarm is pulled in the Orbital Treats food court.
_	Hammond rescues Birnam from a tree.
_	A game of air hockey distracts Hammond and Birnam.
-	Hammond slides out of the food court.
	Community is key in Winner's Orbit. Give three ways Hammond's and Birnam's families support and care for each other.
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1.	Compare Jenkins' and Lily's reaction to Bubba Squeakers. Give example from Chapter 17.
2.	How did Ivy get injured? Who tends to her wound?
3.	Both Bubba and Ivy apologize for the accident. What reason does each give? Are either of them to blame? Why?
4.	Do you think the accident will change Bubba's desire to have a human home? Give examples to back up your answer.

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hapte	er 18
1. Ho	w has Grifter's lifestyle shaped his pessimistic world view?
2. List	three reasons why the cowbirds have elected to stay in Galactic Furk.
	ad the passage below. What do Grifter's word choice and tone say al leadership style? Explain.
	"Then, I suspect, we'll have no choice but to eliminate the opposition. You haven't served me long, and I don't expect you to understand my methods. Over time, you will discover what
	the others already know. I am a natural leader."

ha	pter 19											
1. In Chapter 19, the mischief hide in their homes and travel in pair three reasons to explain their fear.												
2.	Label each statement True or False.											
	That One likes stuffed animals.											
	Minister Balmore doesn't care what the mischief thinks of him.											
	Squirrels and cats are the humans' favorite animals.											
	The Jenkins has the final say over park operations.											
	Minister Balmore repaints his paw red.											
	Exterminators in the city are afraid of the park's residents.											
3.	Minister Balmore's red paw is proof of his right to rule, so the paint is kept fresh. Humans have similar rituals for good luck. Athletes listen to the same playlist before each game. Singers practice the same warmups before each performance.											
	Why do you think humans stick to such rituals?											

Cha	pter 20
1.	Victory for the mischief means Munson has extra duties. List three items he organizes for the Victory Party.
2.	Minister Balmore does not attend the Victory Party well earned by the mischief. Instead, he paces in the moonlight before slipping away. With the exterminators gone from the park, what worries still plague the leader?
3.	Rats love the powdery crunch of funnel cake with freshly tossed pickles layering the top. That One likes pecans dunked in coffee. Both are wild animals living off theme park foods. What unusual food combinations do you like? Why? How is your unusual
	food choice a product of your environment?

Vocabulary, Chapters 11-20

Vocabulary Word	Definition
Diminutive	
Exposed	
Spigot	
Saturated	
Karma	
Compensation	
Vermin	
Mural	
Dislodge	
Concur	

Cha	pter 21
1.	Compare Tartel's and Gumnic's attitudes while stuck in the 'Neutral Zone.'
2.	Gumnic attempts to save Tartel despite putting himself in harm's way. What does this say about Gumnic's character?
3.	Gumnic survives the 'Neutral Zone' but runs into Grand Jeffery, the leader responsible for his banishment. Give details from the book concerning their brief conversation and agreement.

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Cha	pter 22										
1.	Explain the ZenithTarium from Chapter 22.										
2.		er's Landing. What life experiences do the two									
3.	ngs that Bandit Queen experiences in Chapter 22. ples from the text.										
	Emotion/Feeling	Example Text									

Chapters 23-24

1.	Classify the conflicts as either External (E) or Internal (I).								
	"Himalayan wobbled side to side, gasped at the odd sensation of failing balance, and plunged into the icy water that stagnated in the trough's bottom."								
	"I sensed your sorrow. Are you feeling well?"								
	"His left wing pulled higher than his right, setting him on a path to the raccoon where he straddled her nose."								
	"Here I am, contemplating my next victory when I stumble upon you sniveling creatures."								
	"The summer job to earn money for a vehicle had become fifty years of his life, consuming his every thought."								
	the electronic lock button on her desk."								

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Chapters 25-26

Describe the actions of each character during the cowbird attack and issuance of the Mayday alert as described in Chapters 25 and 26.

Grand Jeffery	Gumnic
Grifter	Mischief Herd
Postmaster	That One, Tiny, and Black

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Cha	pter 27
1.	Where is the Mayday meeting being held? Describe the location and its purpose.
2.	Read the passage below. Do you agree with the idea? Have you experienced a time when teamwork has solved a difficult problem? Explain
	"Each of us has unique skills," Bandit Queen said. "If we work together, we can ensure our success."
3.	Chapter 27 ends with the leaders agreeing to meet in the morning to stop the exterminators' poison shipment. Do you think the group will succeed? Give examples to back up your answer.

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1.	L. Label each statement True or False.			
	Mr. Jenkins greets the exterminators early before sunrise.			
	Exterminators threaten to quit again.			
	The delivery driver stays in the truck instead of helping.			
	Minister Balmore agrees to the plan and follows through.			
	The poisons are delivered as planned.			
	Bandit Queen understands the minister's predicament.			
	It is implied that they will work together at the chapter's conclusion.			

2. Read the passage. Underline the words that create imagery.

"The diesel motor roared and echoed off the building. Jenkins, Maurice, and Ron poured from the doorway as the delivery driver threw open his rusted door and swung his leg to the metal step attached to the truck's underside. Like thick ketchup from a bottle, the round man slid from the seat, his feet landing on the pavement toe to heel. He flinched at the men's curious stares."

hap	oter 29	
1.	Bandit Queen asks Har	mmond to visit the Elder Council. Why does
	Hammond resist?	
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2. /	A thunderstorm hits th	ne park and frightens the raccoons. List three ways in
•	which Hammond helps	s save the gaze.
	Action	Description
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3. /	At the end of Chapter	29, Hammond is uncertain about being Bandit King.
	Why?	
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Cha	pter 30				
1.	Why does Bubba Squeakers withhold park news from Ivy? How does his decision affect Ivy?				
2.	Nibbler is lost in the rushing flood water. Are his chances of survival good? Why?				
3.	When flooding water swept through Rover's Landing, the curved and sloped walkways saved the souvenir and food shops while damaging benches, trashcans, and mobile food carts.				
	What are two advantages of preventing damage to the permanent structures of the park?				

1.	Match each cause with the effect.			
	Cause			
	Heavy rains wash out the gardens.			
	Cowbirds discover the roach's storage area.			
	Jeffery realizes he is getting older.			
	Grifter attacks the suffering roaches.			
	Grand Jeffery needs help with the food storage.			
	Bumper boat ride floods.			
	Effect			
	a. Grand Jeffery worries about who will lead the herd when he dies.			
	b. Gumnic scares the birds with the reflection off a rhinestone.			
	c. The roach's food vault is swept up in the water.			
	d. Gumnic searches for a new secret location for the food vault.			
	e. Jeffery asks Gumnic to oversee the storage.			
	f. Debris from the queue line and loading deck float in the water.			
2.	What does Minister Balmore discover at the edge of Eagle's Tale and the			
	Employee Area? Why is this worrisome?			
3.	Headoncho visits the park. What is the purpose of his visit? What secret is Jenkins hiding from him?			
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2. Give three instances from Chapter 33 that hints Jenkins might retire fro Galactic Fun Park. Reason Example One Two Three 3. Tiny is most upset by Nibbler's passing in the flood in Chapter 34. What	Chapters 33-34				
Reason Example One Two	1. W	Why is the Space Dust Funnel stand dear to Jenkins?			
Reason Example One Two					
Two Three					
Three		Reason	Example		
Three	One				
		Two			
3. Tiny is most upset by Nibbler's passing in the flood in Chapter 34. What		Three			
item did Postmaster use to calm Tiny's fear of new rains? Why was this item important to the squirrels?					
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	e of heart after the devastating flood.
	Examples
2. The en	d of Chapter 35 has Balmore joining That One in the arcade. Do
think t	hey are compatible as friends? Give proof to back up your answ

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pter 36
Match the character with the description.
Character
That One
Minister Balmore
Bandit Queen
Grand Jeffery
Bubba Squeakers
Hammond
Description
a. Loves coffee.
b. Carried saddlebag with tokens and ski-ball tickets.
c. Already in costume.
d. Cone-shaped hats with pom-poms.
e. Crown made of green twigs and purple flowers.
f. Covered in powdered food coloring.
Was the residents' talent show a success? Give examples from the chapter
to back up your answer.

Cha	pter 37				
1.	Tiny, Black, and That One leave the safety of the pine tree to help the residents fight the exterminators. Who raced across the park to ensure the delivery squirrels' safety?				
2.	What new threat enters the fight between residents and exterminators?				
3.	Humans waiting behind the chain-link fence are upset by the chaos. Who alerts an employee to open the fence? What actions do humans take once inside?				
4.	With no chance of winning, the cowbirds flee the park. Who gives the apology for their destructive behavior? What is the excuse?				

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3	pters 38-39
	What happens to Maurice after the front gate scuffle?
	List three acts of kindness Ron witnesses between the guests and the residents.
	Give three examples from the chapter that changed Ron's mind about being an exterminator.
	What new job title did Ron receive from Galactic Fun Park? What was his first assignment?

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Cha	pter 40			
1.	Ron and the residents have a language barrier. Match the names he gave each character below.			
	Minister Balmore	a. King Roach		
	b. Mister Mousey			
	Grand Jeffery	c. Doctor Scratchers		
2.	A memorial to Grand Jeffery was built at the front gate. Which human do you think suggested the project? Why?			
3. The residents are finally uniting under the Galactic For the management's search for profits serve as a catal-				

Vocabulary, Chapters 20-40

Word	Text from Book	Meaning from Context	Definition
Provision	"his eyes lingered over the food provisions sitting atop a paper dish."		
Hostilities	"I am not sure we have seen the last of the hostilities from the management."		
Trough	"the ride's winding trough had glow-in-the-dark stars and mimicked the rushing waters of a river."		
Rendezvous	"Good luck, and remember our rendezvous point in the graveyard."		
Wisdom	"While I am grateful for the council's wisdom, I am uncertain how to carry out such a feat."		
Torrential	"Torrential rain pounded against the roof, slowing the already sluggish raccoons."		

Answer Guide

Chapter One

- 1. 3rd Person
- 2. A space-themed amusement park, location unknown
- 3. They are squirrels. They deliver for Nutty Notes Delivery.
- 4. Animals in the park will be killed. The ecosystem will be destroyed.
- 5. Matching C A B D

Chapter Two

- 1. Rats/Mischief, Minister Balmore
- 2. Exterminators, Cat attacks, Warrior shortages
- 3. False-False-True-True
- 4. Protection from other species, food gathering

Chapter Three

- 1. Cats/Clowder, Bubba Squeakers
- 2. Exterminators. Bubba Squeakers understands human behavior. Nibbler knows the park's layout. Ivy is combat trained.
- ${\bf 3.}\ \ Ono matopo eia\mbox{-} Personification\mbox{-} Personification\mbox{-} Ono matopo eia\mbox{-} Ono mato$

Chapter Four

- 1. Roaches/Intrusion, Grand Jeffery
- 2. An event in which roaches dive into a cup of Dew and the survivor becomes the next Grand Jeffery.
- 3. Answers will vary.

Chapters Five and Six

- 1. Bubba wants to join forces, but Minister Balmore goes alone.
- 2. Matching DBEAC

Chapters Seven and Eight

- 1. True-True-False-True
- 2. Answers will vary.
- 3. Answers will vary.

Chapter Nine

- 1. Raccoons/Gaze, Bandit Queen
- 2. Answers will vary.
- 3. Yes, they are old friends.
- 4. Answers will vary.

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Chapter Ten

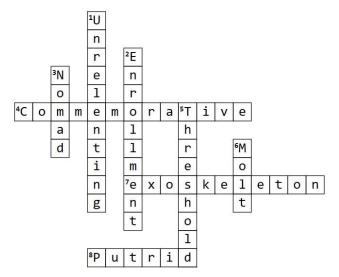
• Cats They are fearful at first but then decide to prank the humans.

• Ants Ants throw ants at the cats but stop for fear of wasps.

• Bubba He enlists Ivy to help him open the cage and free the food.

• Ivy She shuns the stinky food, but a lick has her loving the taste.

Vocabulary Chapters 1-10



Chapter 11

- 1. The mischief needed guidance after exterminators, cat attacks, and cowbirds. A strong leader is needed.
- 2. Balmore turns to his belief in funnel, asking for guidance for the mischief, unsure what actions to take.
- 3. Rats need the funnel to make offerings to the eagle statue for good fortune.

Chapter 12

- 1. Pebbles are piled and a green leaf is stuck inside like a flag.
- 2. Cowbird. Grand Jeffery uses language to confuse the bird, then runs. He is caught a second time but saved by a human.
- 3. The human saves him from the bird and a sink full of water. If one species is not what he once thought, others might not be.

- 1. Answers will vary.
- 2. Answers will vary.

Chapters 14-15

- 1. Personification-Onomatopoeia-Personification-Onomatopoeia-Simile
- 2. Maurice thinks the animals are after him. He flees the park.
- 3. Cowbirds are stealing the employees' personal items and dive-bombing people.

Chapter 16

- 1. 6-1-4-3-2-5-8-9-7.
- 2. Problem solving, playing games, saving each other from danger, friendship

Chapter 17

- 1. Answers will vary.
- 2. Ivy gets caught in a bear trap. That One and Black
- 3. Bubba wasted time with the child. Ivy should have been more careful. Additional answers will vary.
- 4. Answers will vary.

Chapter 18

- 1. Answers will vary.
- 2. Food, water, and nests are plentiful.
- 3. Answers will vary.

Chapter 19

- 1. Cowbirds, food shortages, threat of exterminators
- 2. True-False-True-False-True-True
- 3. Answers will vary.

- 1. Glow necklaces, paint stand, stage setup
- 2. Answers will vary.
- 3. Answers will vary.

Vocabulary, Chapters 11-20

Diminutive extremely or unusually small Exposed not covered or hidden; visible

Spigot a faucet

Saturated holding as much water or moisture as can be absorbed

Karma destiny or fate, following as effect from cause

Compensation money received by an employee from an employer as a salary

or wages

Vermin wild animals that are believed to be harmful

Mural a painting or other work of art executed directly on a wall

Dislodge knock or force out of position Concur be of the same opinion; agree

Chapter 21

1. Tartel is selfish and whiny. Gumnic is responsible and resourceful.

2. Gumnic is not selfish and cares for others in the intrusion.

3. Jeffery wants Gumnic to leave before deciding to send him to the eastern border.

Chapter 22

1. Space-themed planetarium

2. Both have trusted humans, been betrayed, and hurt.

3. Answers will vary.

Chapters 23-24

External-Internal-External-Internal-Internal-Internal-Internal-External

Chapters 25-26

Answers will vary, but could include:

Grand Jeffery	Gumnic				
Fought Grifter and Saved Intrusion	Asked for Mayday and Translated for Gumnic				
Grifter	Mischief Herd				
Taunted Jeffery and Attacked Intrusion	Fought Cowbirds and Saved Jeffery				
Postmaster	That One, Tiny, and Black				
Issued Mayday and Rallied Squirrels	Delivered Maydays				

- 1. The Ride Graveyard near the office building, storage for old rides
- 2. Answers will vary.
- 3. Answers will vary.

- 1. True-True-False-False-True-True.
- 2. Answers will vary.

Chapter 29

- 1. Hammond understands becoming Bandit King, his mother must have died.
- 2. Removes vent, helps raccoons up the tubing, pushes large raccoon to safety, guides raccoons along the rafters, tries to keep them calm
- 3. Handling wild dogs, humans, and natural disasters is hard work.

Chapter 30

- 1. Answers will vary.
- 2. No. The rushing water was very dangerous.
- 3. Answers will vary.

Chapters 31-32

- 1. CDABEF
- 2. The cases of poison chemicals, which might soak into the drinking water.
- 3. To help with flood cleanup. The poison chemicals.

Chapters 33-34

- 1. This is where he met his wife.
- 2. Answers will vary.
- 3. A smooth river rock. It signifies the longevity of the squirrel family.

Chapter 35

- 1. Answers will vary.
- 2. Answers will vary.

- 1. ADEFCB
- 2. Answers will vary.

- 1. Postmaster
- 2. Cowbirds
- 3. Postmaster and an employee. They protected the residents from exterminators and cowbirds.
- 4. Lannie, Grifter's assistant. The food made them aggressive, Grifter was a poor leader.

Chapters 38-39

- 1. Maurice fled the park.
- 2. Answers will vary.
- 3. Answers will vary.
- 4. Animal Advocate. To set up a nice cat area to impress the news outlet.

Chapter 40

- 1. b, c, a
- 2. Ron had it built because he witnessed the roach's death.
- 3. Answers will vary.

Vocabulary, Chapters 20-40

Provision action of providing or supplying something for use

Hostilities hostile behavior; unfriendliness or opposition

Trough a channel used to convey a liquid

Rendezvous a meeting at an agreed time and place

Wisdom quality of having experience, knowledge, and

good judgment

Torrential falling rapidly and in large quantities