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Chapter 1 Pp. 1-7

MY BEST FRIEND SHOPS FOR A WEDDING DRESS

Vocabulary List with Definitions (grade appropriate #, page where word is found)

hibiscus (, 1) a plant with colorful flowers

satyr (, 1) woodland god of Greek mythology, part horse, part man

gangly (, 1) tall, thin, and awkward in bearing and movements

faltered (7, 2) start to lose strength or momentum

reassuringly 6+, 3) do or say something to remove fears or doubts

fragile (7, 7) object or person easily broken or damaged

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Chapter 2 Pp. 8-24

I PLAY DODGEBALL WITH CANNIBALS

Vocabulary List with Definitions (grade appropriate #, page where word is found)

- dyslexic** (, 8) disorder that keeps a person from being able to read, write, etc.
- carnage** (12, 11) the killing of a large number of people
- vials** (9, 11) small container
- evacuated** (8, 12) remove someone from a place of danger to a safe place
- obnoxious** (10, 13) extremely unpleasant
- billowed** (4, 15) a large undulating mass of something like wind filling out a sail
- cower** (9, 16) crouch down in fear
- perforated** (8, 17) pierce or make holes in something
- obscures** (9, 17) hard to make out or define
- molotov cocktails** (, 18) homemade bombs
- disintegrated** (10, 19) break up into small parts until gone
- dissipate** (12, 19) disperse or scatter

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8. **When the last cannibal was ready to catch Percy and eat him, what happened? Pp. 22-23** Annabeth appeared and saved Percy.

Chapter 3 Pp. 25-37

WE HAIL THE TAXI OF ETERNAL TORMENT

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fascinated (6, 26) draw irresistibly the attention of or take a interest in

demigods (, 28) being with partial or lesser divine status; part god

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plummeted (12, 34) fall or dropped straight down at high speed

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Hermes had snakes on his phone. Their names were George and Martha.

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He was proud of the fact that he had poisoned Thalia's tree.

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Because of Percy's dad, Poseidon, Percy had perfect bearings when he was at sea.

Vocabulary Worksheet

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Comprehension Worksheet

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Answer five comprehension questions in complete sentences.

1. _____

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3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

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Answer three comprehension questions in complete sentences.

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2. _____

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