How to Steal a Dog: Chapters 1-7

Complete.

Review
1. What did Toby ask that Georgina had not thought of?

2. How much money did Georgina's daddy leave behind when he left his family?

3. How did Georgina interpret the meaning of a dog door?

4. Instead of going home on the bus, what did Toby and Georgina have to do?

5. Where did Toby, Georgina, and their mother live?

6. What was the last thing Georgina wrote in her notebook before she went to sleep?

7. How many jobs did Georgina's mother work?

8. What facts convinced Georgina that Willy was the dog they should steal?

9. What did Mr. White send home with Georgina?

10. What did Georgina write in her spiral notebook?

11. What was the moral at the end of the Aesop's fable that Mr. White had read?

12. What did Georgina's mother pray for every night?
13. Why did Georgina have to drop out of Girl Scouts?

14. What were the special things that Georgina kept in a plastic bag?

15. What did Mrs. Godfrey look like when she saw Georgina?

16. How did Georgina plan to get some money?

17. What had Luanne stolen one time?

18. What happened when Georgina turned on the faucet?
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How would you have reacted to the house where Georgina's mother had them sleep?
1. He asked where they were going to hide the dog.
2. He left them three rolls of quarters and a mayonnaise jar of wadded up dollar bills.
3. A dog door meant that the people who lived there were gone a lot, but they still cared about their dog.
4. They had to go to the Laundromat.
5. They lived in their car.
6. She wrote "Now you are almost ready to steal a dog."
7. She worked two jobs.
8. The woman who owned Willy was named Whitmore, she lived on Whitmore Road, and she probably owned the whole street.
9. He sent home a letter for her parents.
10. She wrote down her rules for finding a dog.
11. The moral was that there was always someone worse off than you.
12. She prayed for a miracle.
13. She had to drop out of Girl Scouts so she could take care of Toby.
14. She kept a horse statue, swimming medals, and a stuffed bear in a plastic bag.
15. She had a pinched up face and looked hateful.
16. She planned on stealing a dog for the reward money.
17. She stole a pack of M & Ms.
18. No water came out of the faucet.
How to Steal a Dog: Chapters 8-14

Review
1. Why did Georgina and Toby go into Carmella Whitmore's house?

2. Why did Mama think this new job would be great?

3. Where did Mama stash money for emergencies?

4. Why couldn’t they get a room at the Motel 6?

5. What had caused Mama to cry one day when the kids returned to the car?

6. Who built the Whitmore house?

7. As Georgina and Toby looked for lost dog posters on Whitmore Road, what happened?

8. Where did Toby say he and Georgina could get some money?

9. Why did Georgina feel bad about lying to Mr. White?

10. Where did Georgina and Toby plan to put Willy until the owner posted a reward sign?

11. Why did Georgina like being at school?

12. Where did Toby find some string?
13. What did Georgina find when she went back to the house by herself?

14. What did Willy's owner say he could do?

15. Where did Mama want the kids to go after school?

16. Why couldn't they stay at the house anymore?

17. How did Georgina answer when Mookie asked why she kept her dog tied up at the house?

18. How did Georgina get Willy's attention?
Describe how Carmella Whitmore felt about losing her dog.
Answer Key

1. They went into to help her make lost dog posters.
2. The tips were really good and she could bring home all kinds of food.
3. She stashed money under the spare tire in the trunk.
4. Mama had said no.
5. She was fired from her job at the cleaners.
6. Carmella's great-granddaddy built the house.
7. Carmella Whitmore asked them if they'd seen Willy.
8. He said they could find some money.
9. She felt bad because he was the nicest teacher she'd had.
10. They planned to put him on the back porch of the old house.
11. She liked being at school because she knew how her day was going to go.
12. He found some string wrapped around some newspaper.
13. She found a man on the back porch singing and eating sardines with Willy.
14. She said Willy could count.
15. She wanted them to go to the Y.
16. Someone had boarded it up and put up a sign.
17. She told him the new landlord said they couldn't have the dog, so her mama was looking for a new place. She was keeping him there until her mama finds a new one.
18. She whistled for Willy.
How to Steal a Dog: Chapters 15-21

Complete.

Review
1. Why did Georgina duck down in the car and yank Toby down?

2. Why did Georgina feel a big blanket of shame fall over her?

3. What did Mookie feed Willy before Georgina and Toby arrived?

4. Why was Carmella yelling at Gertie on the phone?

5. Georgina's family shared a house with who?

6. Why did Carmella want Georgina and Toby to search in the woods for Willy?

7. What did the air smell like at the end of the story?

8. After Georgina returned Willy, how much longer did they live in their car?

9. The night sounds reminded Georgina of what?

10. What did Carmella tell Georgina that she'd give her if she brought Willy back?

11. Who told Carmella that she could borrow some money?

12. Where did Mookie find Willy?
13. Why did Georgina think a person should not steal a dog?

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14. What was Mookie's other motto?

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15. What did Toby find in the sandy roadside?

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16. Why did Mookie sometimes work for free?

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17. Who did Georgina think took Willy?

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18. How did Mookie usually look?

______________________________________________________________
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Journal Prompts 3/3:
1. She did not want Mookie to see them as he pedaled by.
2. She felt shame because Mookie found Willy’s collar, and he knew what she did.
3. He feed Willy liver pudding.
4. She was yelling because Gertie would not lend her money.
5. They shared a house with Louise and her baby named Drew.
6. She thought she heard Willy barking over there.
7. The air smelled like honeysuckle and newly mown grass.
8. They lived in their car for two more days.
9. The noises reminded her of the time she camped out in Luanne’s backyard.
10. She told Georgina that she’d give her the five hundred dollars.
11. Her uncle Haywood said he would lend her the money.
12. Mookie found Willy running up behind him when he was by the shopping center.
13. It was not a good idea to steal a dog.
14. His other motto was “the more you stir it, the worse it stinks.”
15. Toby found a quarter.
16. Mookie said that sometimes people need things done more than he needs money.
17. Georgina thought Mookie took Willy.
18. He usually looked happy.
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Complete.

Review
1. _______ How did Georgina get Willy's attention?
   A. She threw a bone.
   B. She called his name.
   C. She clapped her hands.
   D. She whistled.

2. _______ Where did Mama stash money for emergencies?
   A. In a plastic bag
   B. Under the spare tire
   C. In her shoes
   D. In her purse

3. _______ Through most of the story, where did Georgina and her family live?
   A. In a car
   B. In an apartment
   C. In a tent
   D. In a house

4. _______ Who returned Willy to his owner?
   A. Mama
   B. Georgina
   C. Mookie
   D. Toby

5. _______ What did Georgina's mother pray for every night?
   A. A better job
   B. Money
   C. A home
   D. A miracle

6. _______ What had caused Mama to cry one day when the kids returned to the car?
   A. The car would not start.
   B. She was fired from her job.
   C. She was sick.
   D. She lost her car key.

7. _______ How did Georgina plan to get some money?
   A. Steal a dog
   B. Get a job
   C. Babysit
   D. Recycle cans

8. _______ Why did Mookie sometimes work for free?
   A. People could not pay him.
   B. Sometimes people needed things done more than he needed money.
C. He was an illegal immigrant.
D. He was paid with food.

9. ______  What did Mr. White send home with Georgina?
   A. Lunch money
   B. Food
   C. A letter
   D. Clothes

10. ______  What was not something that was a special thing that Georgina kept in a plastic bag?
     A. A book
     B. Horse statue
     C. Stuffed bear
     D. Swimming medals

11. ______  How did Mookie usually look?
      A. Mad
      B. Glum
      C. Happy
      D. Sad

12. ______  What did Willy’s owner say he could do?
       A. Count
       B. Jump up high
       C. Catch a ball
       D. Play dead
Answer Key

1. (D)
2. (B)
3. (A)
4. (B)
5. (D)
6. (B)
7. (A)
8. (B)
9. (C)
10. (A)
11. (C)
12. (A)