1. If he could have chosen his seat, where would Bradley have sat?

2. How did the class react when Mrs. Ebbel sat Jeff next to Bradley?

3. At the end of chapter 1, Bradley was rude to Jeff. What did Bradley say to him?

4. How did Jeff act when Bradley said what he did at the end of chapter 1?

5. Why did Mrs. Ebbel think it was important for Bradley’s mom to come in for a conference?

6. On page 7, Bradley told many reasons to Mrs. Ebbel about why his mother couldn’t come to the conference. Do you think he was telling the truth? Explain.
7. What confused Bradley at the end of page 7?

8. On page 8, it says, “As long as he hated them, it didn’t matter how they felt about him.” What do you think this means?

9. In the beginning of chapter 3, Bradley was talking to his “friends”. Describe them.
   
   Does Bradley treat these friends differently than the kids at school?
   If so, how?

   Why do you think de does this?

10. At the end of the assignment, Bradley makes more excuses why his mother can’t go to the conference. Did these excuses help or hurt him? Explain.

11. Would you like to be Bradley’s friend? Explain.
Chapters 4-7 Pages (18 - 30)

1. Read the 2nd paragraph on page 18. What does it mean when it said that Mrs. Chalkers was as afraid as Bradley was—(about what Mrs. Ebbel was going to talk about)?

   Why do you think Mrs. Chalkers was "afraid"?

2. Re-read the 4th paragraph on page 19. It begins, “I’m sure he has…”. Do you agree with what Mrs. Ebbel is saying? Explain why or why not.

3. Do you think the school counselor can help Bradley? Give reasons for your answer.

4. What was the last thing Carla said to Mrs. Chalkers? Why was that so strange?

5. What happened to Jeff at the beginning of chapter 6?

6. On page 28, Jeff explains about why he sat next to Bradley and made friends. Tell the reason(s) he tried to make friends.

   Would you have done the same thing as Jeff? Explain your answer.
Chapters 8-10 Pages (31-45)

1. While eating lunch, what did Jeff say Carla was good at?

2. What do you think Bradley thought about Jeff going into the Girls’ Bathroom?

3. When Bradley first met Carla, he began making things up. What did Carla do/say when he made these things up?

4. Why do you think Carla treated Bradley this way?

5. On page 44, Jeff agreed with Bradley when he said he hated Carla. Why do you think Jeff did this?

6. List at least 4 things that describe Carla.

7. Why do you think Bradley acts the way he does?

8. Would you like to be Bradley’s friend? Explain.
1. On page 46, why do you think Bradley was…"even beginning to like school"?

2. At the end of chapter 11, what two things did Bradley decide to do after school?

3. Why did Colleen go see Carla?

4. What exactly does Carla say to greet the students that come to see her?

5. At the end of Chapter 13, what reason did Bradley give to explain why Jeff won’t make any other friends?

   Do you agree with this reason? Explain.

6. How is Bradley’s attitude changing about homework?

   For what reasons do yo think his attitude is changing?
1. Bradley wasn’t afraid of bullies or of Melinda. What was he afraid of?

2. When Jeff spoke to Bradley at recess, what excuse did he give to Bradley explaining why he was able to be hurt?

3. Why did Robbie and the other boys make friends with Jeff?

4. In the beginning of chapter 18, why do you think Bradley wanted Jeff to miss his shots while he was playing basketball?

5. How has Bradley’s behavior changed from when he had no friends to when he had Jeff as a friend?

6. What was the first thing Bradley did when he got home?
7. On page 70, what did Carla mean when she said, “I’ve always considered quality to be more important than quantity when it comes to friendship.”?

8. On page 76, Carla asked Bradley to list things he liked about himself. List 5 things that you like about yourself.

   1. 
   
   2. 
   
   3. 
   
   4. 
   
   5. 

9. What reason did Carla give to Bradley for not doing well on test?

   Do you think she could be right? Explain.
1. Look at the list on pages 80-83. What item on the list is listed more than once?

   Why do you think it is listed more than once?

   What items do you think really BOTHER him? Explain.

2. Why did Bradley crumple up his list and throw it away?

3. On pages 88-89, when Carla and Bradley were talking about a “monster”, who or what else could they have been talking about? Explain.

4. What does Carla tell Bradley that people should do to help people stop seeing “monsters” in others?

   Do you agree with what she said? Explain.


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6. What do you think of Carla? List at least 4 things you like and 4 things you don’t like about her. (You may also choose 8 things you like about her.)

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7. Predict how the story will end. Use at least 6 complete sentences.

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1. Bradley has changed his behavior. Give at least ONE example of this.

2. How had Jeff changed when he cam into the classroom?

3. What happened at recess?

4. On page 100 Bradley thought, “…So what if he got in trouble? What difference did it make?” Why had his attitude changed so much?

5. Where did Bradley hide?

6. Bradley treated Carla differently in Chapter 27. What was the difference?

7. When Bradley was getting help from his mother with his homework, what was he allowed to do for the very first time?

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8. What did Claudia do when Bradley said he understood his work?

Did this help him? Explain.

9. Describe how Bradley felt when he went to turn in his homework.

Why did he feel this way?

10. Why do you think Bradley did this to his homework?

1. How did Carla react when Bradley told her what he did with his homework?

2. What meeting was Mrs. Chalkers thinking about attending?

3. Why do you think they are having the “special meeting”.

4. How did Bradley feel about the book Carla gave him?

5. Describe what happened at the end of chapter 32.

6. How did Bradley play in the game?

7. What happened after the game when the boys were cleaning themselves?

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8. Use the rest of this paper to predict how the story will end.
OR
Use the rest of this paper to tell how you might help Bradley.
1. On page 139 it said, that Colleen, “Looked very serious. She knew what she had to do.” What was this?

2. What was Bradley so excited about in chapter 35?

3. How was Bradley’s greeting to Carla different than before?

4. When Bradley first started talking to Carla in chapter 36, he was excited. Then he was upset. What happened to change him so quickly?

5. Why did Carla compare Bradley to Cinderella?

6. At the meeting, the only parents invited were those who had complaints. Do you agree with this? Explain.
7. On page 151, Carla refused to break her promise to Colleen, even though she could get fired for it! Would you have done the same thing? Give reasons for your answer.

8. At the meeting, one lady said, “Isn’t that what school’s for?…To tell kids what to think?” Do you agree with the lady? Explain.

9. How do you feel about the way the parents of the Concerned Parents Organization treated and soaked about Carla? Give specific evidence for your answer.
1. What gift did Carla give Bradley? Explain why that certain gift.

2. What gift did Bradley give Carla?

3. What bad news did Carla tell Bradley?

4. How did Bradley react to the news?

5. Do you agree with Bradley said to her? Explain.

6. What did Mrs. Ebbel want Bradley for in the beginning of chapter 40?


8. Predict what will happen at the end of the story.
1. What was Bradley thinking about on the first two pages of chapter 41?

2. What happened when Bradley finally made it to Carla’s office?

3. Had Bradley’s relationship with his father changed at all? If so, how? If not, why not?

1. Describe what Bradley did when he arrived at the party.

2. How had the girls started treating Bradley during the race?

3. Who was Bradley’s partner in the three-legged race?

4. How did Bradley’s team do in the race?

5. What did Bradley give for a birthday gift?

6. What did Bradley send to Carla? Why?

7. Now that you have read the whole book, why do you think Bradley acted the way he did in the beginning of the book?

8. What could someone have done for Bradley to help him?

9. Would you like to be Bradley’s friend?

Look back on page 2 of this workbook. Is the answer to question 11 the same as your answer to this question? Explain why this is so.