

Chapters One – Three

1. Why was Dee so upset with Samantha?
2. Compare Dee and Joey. How were they alike?
3. Who gave Dee comfort when she was upset?
4. What was Dee's favorite book and movie?
5. Why was Dee sent to the principal's office so often?
6. How did the students feel about their teacher Ms. Hersh?
7. Describe Pete. How did Dee feel about him?
8. What happened during the kickball game?
9. Give some examples of ways Joey was creative.
10. What was Joey's prediction? Did it come true?

Chapters Four – Ten

1. Who were the Terrific Trio?
2. What happened in Dee's group of friends that made her unhappy?
3. How did Dee feel about the upcoming research project?
4. How did Dee's day begin on the morning her report was due?

5. What did Dee notice on Samantha's desk?
6. What was Dee's big mistake? Why did she do it?
7. Describe what happened after Dee went home.
8. How did Sue and Ronnie treat Dee after her big mistake?
9. What was Mr. Kent's not-so-great idea?
10. What dramatic thing happened when Dee and Samantha worked together?
11. What surprising things did Dee learn about Samantha?
12. What funny thing happened while Dee and Samantha were talking after school?

Chapters Eleven – Seventeen

1. When Ms. Hersh called her name, what embarrassing thing did Dee do?
2. During the softball game, Dee was called to pitch. What happened?
3. Why did Dee decide to quit softball?
4. What advice did Mr. Kent share with Dee? Did she take his advice?
5. What did Dee's parents say about making mistakes?
6. What happened at the sleepover?
7. Whom did Dee and her friends see at the pool? Why were they there?
8. What did Dee notice about Samantha when they were bringing their projects into school?

9. What was Pete's project like? How did his classmates react to it?
10. What upsetting thing happened when Dee presented her project?
11. Describe Samantha's project.

Chapter Eighteen – Twenty-four

1. What mischief did "Powerhouse" make when riding the bus to school?
2. What happened during Ronnie's presentation?
3. How did Dee try to help her quarreling friends?
4. Samantha passed Dee a note. What did Dee promise Samantha because of the note?
5. Dee and Pete were called to a special meeting. What was it about?
6. What good news did Ms. Hersh share with the class?
7. What projects were the students in Advance working on?
8. What shocking thing occurred when Ms. Hersh passed back the reports?
9. What title did Samantha give her folder? Why did she choose that title?
10. What did the fifth graders build during their Advance class? Explain the project.
11. What was Andrew like? Give some examples.

Chapters Twenty-five – Twenty-eight

1. Which unlikely student volunteered to show the work to the hardest homework problem?
2. Why do you think she was able to get the answer correct?

3. Why did the fifth graders decide to play the Big Game?
4. What happened to Pete after first recess?
5. How did the Big Game end? How did the players feel about it?
6. What did Mr. Kent say about the final score of the game? Do you agree with him?
7. What prank did Joey play on Dee?
8. What prank did Dee decide to play on Pete? Did he fall for it?
9. What was the surprise twist about Dee's prank on Pete?
10. What was Dee afraid of on the last day of school?
11. Did Dee's fear come true? Describe the scene.