

Chapter Question

Bud, Not Buddy

Chapter 1-3

1. Why is Bud in an orphanage?
2. Where are Bud and Jerry being sent to? How does Bud feel about it?
3. Describe what happens to Bud in the Amoses' home.
4. Where do the Amoses put Bud? What is he afraid of there?
5. Why do you think Bud has his 'Rules and Things for Having a Funner Life and Making a Better Liar Out of Yourself'?
6. What does Bud carry in his suitcase? Why do you think his suitcase and its contents are so important to him?
7. What do you think the author's purpose is for using language that sounds a ten year old?

Chapter 4-8

1. How did Bud get revenge on Todd Amos?
2. Why do you think Bud went to the library and to find Miss Hill? Why is Miss Hill not at the library?
3. Describe a flashback from this section of the novel.
4. How does Bud get to eat at the mission even though he was late for breakfast?
5. How did Bugs get his name?
6. What plans do Bud and Bugs make? Where do they go?
7. Describe 'Hooperville'.
8. Who is Deza Malone? Why does Bud tell so much to her? What did she and Bud do while they were washing dishes?
9. Describe what happens in the early morning at the shanty town.

Chapter 9-11

1. Why does Bud go back to the library a second? What has he decided to do?
2. What does Bud compare his idea about his father to?
3. Describe Bud's feelings as he begins to walk to Flint?
4. Describe the situation when he meets Mr. Lewis?
5. Why does Bud think that Mr. Lewis is a vampire?
6. What does Bud tell Lefty Lewis that he is doing out walking at night?
7. Who is Mr. Lewis and where does he take Bud?
8. Describe what happens to Bud at Scott and Kim's house?
9. What kind of relationship does Mr. Lewis have with his daughter and her family?

Chapter 12-14

1. When Lefty Lewis and Bud start out toward Flint, what does Lefty tell Bud he has sent to Mr. Calloway?
2. What did the flyers say that Lefty has with him? Why was important that the cop not see them?
3. How is Bud able to go into the Log Cabin without Lefty talking to Herman E. Calloway?
4. What is Mr. Calloway's reaction to Bud and his news?
5. What is the band's reaction to Bud?
6. Who is Miss Thomas? What does Bud think about her?
7. Why do think that the band member have nicknames? List the band members, their nicknames, and what instruments they play.
8. What happens at the restaurant?

Chapter 15- 19

1. Where do they take Bud? How did it get its name?
2. Describe the room that Bud has to stay in.

3. Describe the flashback Bud has when Mr. Calloway warns him not to touch anything in the bedroom.
4. What agreement or decision do they reach about Bud?
5. What does Bud think of Herman E. Calloway? Why?
6. What does Steady Eddie bring from Bud that first morning?
7. How do the 'rocks' become an issue?
8. Why does Mr. Calloway collect rocks? What does he write on them?
9. Describe the events that follow Bud telling Mr. Calloway about the rocks.
10. What reaction do Mr. Calloway, Mr. Jimmy, and Miss Thomas have?
11. What proof does Bud have in his suitcase that proves who he and his mother are?
12. Why do you think Bud tries to comfort Mr. Calloway?
13. What instrument does the band bring Bud? What nickname do they give him and how do they come up with the name?
14. Has Bud finally found a home?
15. Why does Bud put away or give back the items in his suitcase? What item does he keep? Why do you think he keeps that item?
16. What kind of mother do you think Bud's mother was? Explain using examples from the story.