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| Who is the author of Skateboard Party? | Karen English | cover |
| What was Richard's teacher's name? | Ms. Shelby-Ortiz | 1 |
| Who did Richard like to punch in the shoulder for fun? | Ralph | 1 |
| Who had fat braids? | Nikki | 1 |
| Who was Richard's new best friend? | Gavin | 1 |
| What table did Richard sit at? | Table Three | 2 |
| What table did Ralph sit at? | Table Four | 2 |
| What did Richard not do that caused all his problems? | His part of the rainforest presentation about the habitat of howler monkeys | 3 |
| What kids were in Richard's Howler Monkey group? | Erik Castillo, Yolanda, and Nikki | 4 |
| What part of the Howler Monkey report did Erik do? | prey and predators | 4 |
| What part of the Howler Monkey report did Yolanda and Nikki do? | visual aides: charats, pictures, drawings | 4 |
| What did Richard do on the day of the presentation? | Stayed home sick | 4 |
| What was the real reason Richard didn't get his presentation done in time? | He spent too much time playing video games and goofing off | 4 |
| Who was having a skateboard party? | Gergory Johnson | 6 |
| What was the trick Richard was practicing on his skateboard? | A flat-ground Ollie | 7 |
| What new challenge did Richard want to do with the flat-ground Ollie? | Do it over a crate | 7 |
| What street did Ricahrd live on? | Fulton | 8 |
| What street did Gavin live on? | Willow Avenue | |
| What grade was Richard's brother, Darnell, in? | 5th grade | 8 |
| What grade was Richard's brother, Jamal, in? | 7th grade | 8 |
| What grade was Richard's brother, Roland, in? | 9th grade | 8 |
| What did Richard's dad and brothers do every Friday during basketball season? | Order a pizza and watch basketball while mom read a book in her room | 10 |
| What was one of Darnell's speciality moves? | digging his knuckle into Richard's shoulder | 14 |

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| Where did Richard's mom volunteer all week? | At the food bank | 15 |
| How did Richard's mom's face change right before she came up with some awful punishment? | Her nostrils flared and her eyes got squinty | 15 |
| What did Darnell know that Richard was squeamish about? | spit mixed with toothpaste | 16 |
| What do Jamal and Roland do every Saturday morning? | sleep late | 16 |
| What was Richard's favorite cereal? | Cinnamon Crunch | 16 |
| Where did they keep the box of Cinnamon Crunch cereal? | on top of the refrigerator | 17 |
| What did Richard do with the Cinnamon Crunch so that he could have more later? | Poured some in a plastic container and stuck it in the oven | 18 |
| What did Richard's mom buy for her book club meeting? | cream puffs | 18 |
| What time was the skateboard party scheduled to start? | 2 o'clock | 20 |
| What was Richard's mom's sister's name? | Jen | 23 |
| What did Richard take out of his backpack and stick in his pocket to play with? | two little cars and a wad of clay | 24 |
| Who had to leave their backpacks in their cubby? | Kids who constantly got into them for toys, snacks, and things | 24 |
| What was the journal topic every Monday? | My Weekend | 25 and 26 |
| What reading group was Richard in? | The slow group | 26 |
| How did Richard know that Gavin was in the top reading group? | They got to do independent activities: writing skits, letters to famous people from the past, rewriting the ending to their favorite book... | 26 |
| What job did Richard have in class? | office monitor | 28 |
| What did Ms. Shelby-Ortiz make students come up with if they did something wrong? | Their own consequences | 30 |
| What did Ms. Shelby-Ortiz make Richard write on the whiteboard? | Richard's Note | 30 |

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| How did the plastic container with cereal in it get melted? | Richard's mom turned on the oven to make chocolate chip cookies and it was still in there | 31 |
| How high did Richard's mom set the oven? | 375 degrees | 31 |
| Why were Darnell and Jamal home early on the day they found the melted plastic container in the oven? | They had dentist appointments that day | 31 |
| Why would it take Richard longer than Gavin to save up his allowance for a new skateboard? | He had to pay to replace the plastic container | 34 |
| Who was another 3rd grade teacher at Carver Elementary? | Mr. Beaumont | 36 |
| What did Mr. Beaumont's class perform for Ms. Shelby-Ortiz's class? | skits they wrote | 36 |
| Who performed for Ms. Shelby-Ortiz's 3rd grade class? | Arthur Wang, Angela Martin, Myrella Hernandez, and Dyamond Taylor | 37 |
| What was the skit called that Arthur, Angela, Myrella, and Dyamond performed? | The Boy Who Lost His Lunch Money | 37 |
| Who put a note in the basket in the middle of the table for Nikki? | Deja | 38 |
| What is the signal for someone to get a note out of the basket in the middle of the table? | coughing | 38 |
| Even though they know their parts, what did Richard think about how Dyamond and Angela said their lines? | They spoke to slowly and sounded like robots | 40 |
| What happened to the words 'Richard's note' written on the whiteboard? | One of the kids who performed accidentally smudged it by backing up into it | 40 |
| What was the theme of the skit the kids performed? | The importance of cooperation | 41 |
| How did Richard erase his name from the whiteboard completely? | He erased it with his elbow as he was taking papers to the recycling box | 41 |
| Why didn't students have to ask permission to get up to take papers to the recycling box? | The teacher wanted to encourage recycling | 41 |

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| Where had Danielle hidden a note about missing homework? | In her mattress | 42 |
| Who was Danielle? | Gavin's sister | 42 |
| Why did Danielle hide a note under her mattress? | She wanted to go to a friend's slumber party | 42 |
| How did Richard's mom know he had a rainforest project to do? | She found a note in his jeans pocket | 42 |
| Who found the note from Ms. Shelby-Ortiz? | Darnell | 44 |
| Why was Darnell digging around in Richard's backpack? | His ruler was in it because he lent it to Richard for math homework to measure three things in their room. | 44 |
| What did Darnell blackmail Richard into doing for him in exchange for him not giving mom the note he found? | The dishes | 45 |
| What does Ralph have a bad case of? | low impulse control | 47 |
| What were the consequences of Richard not bringing the note signed back to Ms. Shelby-Ortiz? | Missing morning and lunch recess | 48 |
| What food did Richard love for dinner? | lamb chops and mashed potatoes | 50 |
| What was Richard's dad's name? | Bill | 52 |
| What score did Richard have to get on Friday's spelling test? | 100% | 54 |
| What two letters did Richard have to mind? | His Ps and Qs | 54 |
| How many days did Richard have to miss dessert? | 10 days | 55 |
| What would happen if they caught Richard sneaking in candy? | He would get another week of punishment | 56 |
| Why did Richard get invited to Gregory Johnson's party? | Because he was Darnell's brother | 59 |
| Why did Gavin get invited to Gregory Johnson's party? | Because Darnell asked Gregory Johnson if he could come. | 60 |
| Who was benched all week for stealing mancala pieces? | Calvin Vickers | 60 |

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| Who was the big bully in Darnell's class who they say repeated 4th grade? | Harper | 60 |
| Who was Mrs. Campbell? | The new yard lady and crossing guard | 61 |
| What was the name of Richard's school? | Carver Elementary School | 62 |
| Who owned the store on Marin Street? | Mr. Delvecchio | 62 |
| Why was Richard mad at Gavin and didn't wave goodbye to him? | Richard still wanted to go to Gregory's party, even though Richard couldn't go. | 64 |
| Where did Richard keep a house key? | On a string around his neck | 64 |
| What did Richard's mom usually take off from the food bank? | Thursdays | 64 |
| Who's trash cans did Richard have to take to the curb? | Miss Ida | 64 |
| What did Richard have to knock down in the garage? | spider webs | 64 |
| What did Richard make for snack when he got home from school? | graham crackers and peanut butter | 65 |
| Why didn't Richard get to eat his snack? | Jamal stole it when he made him look the other way | 65 |
| What kind of tree grew outside Richard's kitchen window? | a Chinese Elm | 65 |
| What multiplication tables was everyone in Richard's class studying? | sixes, sevens, and eights | 68 |
| Who accused Calvin of stealing mancala pieces? | Carlos | 69 |
| When did Carlos accuse Calvin of steal mancala pieces? | during a 10 minute free time period right before dismissal on Tuesday | 69 |
| How many mancala pieces did Calvin have in his pockets? | five -- three in one, two in the other | 70 |
| What did Ms. Shelby-Ortiz tell Richard's parents he had done with his rainforest project? | Blew it off | 72 |
| How often did Richard have to show his homework journal to his mom? | every evening | 73 |
| What was Ms. Shelby-Ortiz going to email Richard's mom occasionally? | His assignments | 73 |

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| How much did Richard have to read every night? | one chapter, and summarize it in complete sentences | 73 |
| What did Richard learn from Gavin? | Tossing balled up socks up in the air | 75 |
| What did Richard's mom bring to his room for him? | a slice of pie on a plate | 75 |
| What book was Richard reading? | Henry Huggins | 75 |
| What did Richard dream about? | a marching band guy banging on a big drum strapped to him | 77 |
| What was Richard really hearing when he dreamed about the marching band guy? | thunder | 77 |
| What happened with the skateboard party? | It was postponed a week because of the rain | 78 |
| Why did Richard's dad take him to the library? | To get two books to use as sources for the howler monkey project | 81 |
| What did Ms. Shelby-Ortiz NOT let her students do with reports? | Copy stuff from the Internet. | 81 |
| What DID Ms. Shelby-Ortiz make her students do with reports? | Read and put what they read into their own words | 81 |
| How far away could a howler monkey smell food? | more than one mile | 81 |
| How long was a howler monkey's tail? | 5 times as long as its body | 81 |
| What do howler monkeys sound like? | bears | 81 |
| What was Darnell's way of showing he was winning in a video game? | raising his shoulders up and down, one at a time | 82 |
| What were Roland and Jamal helping Mr. Robinson do? | clean out his attic | 84 |
| Why did Richard like Nikki to collect journals, rather than Deja? | Deja just snatched them from your hand, Nikki was polite and let you finish. | 86 |
| Why did Ms. Shelby-Ortiz sometimes check the journals? | For spelling errors, run-on sentences, and messiness | 86 |
| What spelling worried Richard the most? | quotient | 86 |
| What silent letter words did Richard make a list of? | silent 'w' words | 86 |

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| Who was in Richard's reading group that read so slow it made him tired? | Yolanda Meeker | 26 and 87 |
| What did Richard realize he was doing and it wasn't so hard? | Getting his work done on time | 87 |
| What was the trick to getting work done on time? | focusing and not getting off track trying to see what others are doing | 87 |
| What were the only things you were allowed to do if you were benched? | homework, read a book, or watch kids play | 87 |
| What did Harper do that bothered Richard on the bench? | Sat next to him and talked to him | 90 |
| What did Ms. Shelby-Ortiz give her students time to do on Thursday in place of journal writing? | Quiz each other on spelling words | 90 |
| Who traded seats to study for spelling? | Chi Chi and Gavin | 90 |
| What was the word with a silent letter that Gavin said, but wasn't actually on the spelling word list? | right | 91 |
| Where did Richard take his spelling list for extra practice? | To the bench at recess | 93 |
| What was Mr. Beaumont blowing his whistle at two boys for? | They were spitting water at each other at the water fountain | 93 |
| Why did Richard sleep with the spelling words under his pillow? | He thought it might help them remember how to spell them | 95 |
| Who did Miss Campbell march to the benches at recess? | Ralph Buyer | 97 |
| Where were students instructed to write their name and date on their papers? | In the upper right corner | 97 |
| What letter did Richard have the most trouble with and kept forgetting? | U | 98 |
| Which people did Ms. Shelby-Ortiz always call out loud after a spelling test? | Those that got 100% | 100 |
| Who got 100% on the spelling test? | Nikki, Erick, and Richard | 101 |
| What continent did Richard draw? | South America | 101 |
| What did kids get to use when giving a report? | Ms. Shelby-Ortiz's pointer | 102 |

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| What were the different habitats howler monkeys lived in? | tropical rainforests, evergreen forests, and seasonal deciduous forests | 102 |
| Why do howler monkeys live up in the tops of trees? | So they can eat the leaves, flowers, and fruits and lounge around and not fight with other monkeys | 102 |
| Why are howler monkeys losing their habitat? | People are cutting down the rainforest | 102 |
| Why does the baby howler monkey stay on its mothers back? | The father howler monkey will kill it | 102 |
| What did Richard's mom let the boys have for dessert to celebrate him getting 100% on the test? | root beer floats | 106 |
| What did Darnell do with his root beer float? | blew into it to make extra bubbles | 106 |
| What did Richard's mom always mean when she said, "We'll see"? | Yes | 106 |
| Who went to watch Roland practice basketball? | Jamal | 108 |
| How did Darnell help Mrs. Johnson? | Set up the party at the park | 108 |
| What happened to Evan, a boy in Darnell's class? | He tried to do a flat-ground Ollie over a crate and broke his arm | 108 |
| For how long did Gregory's mom reserve the skate park? | two hours | 110 |
| What did Richard's mom buy as a gift for Richard to give to Gregory? | A book -- an atlas | 110 |
| What are Nollie Nerd Flips, Underflips, and Fakie Frontsides? | Skateboard tricks | 111 |
| Who did the boys say was the best skateboarder? | Mark Johnson | 111 |
| What trick did Mark Johnson do? | a frosty flip | 112 |
| How two feelings did Richard have at the end of the book? | proud and hungry | 112 |