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| Who is the author of 'The List of Things That Will Not Change'? | Rebecca Stead | cover |
| What did Bea's dad and her Uncle Frank used to do together when they were growing up in Minnesota? | Stood in the cornfield and listened to it grow. | 1 |
| Why does corn have to grow quickly in Minnesota? | The summers are short. | 1 |
| Why did Bea's dad look like he had a tan all year long? | His face was covered in freckles. | 1 |
| What was the only thing Uncle Frank really liked to eat? | Boiled eggs | 1 |
| What happened to Bea's cousin, Angelica, the summer Bea turned ten? | Angelica fell from the sleeping loft at their family's cabin at a lake. | 3 |
| Why could Angelica have died or been seriously hurt when she fell from the sleeping loft? | She missed hitting her head on the woodstove by only 4 inches | 3 |
| What did Bea call Angelica's mom? | Aunt Ess | 3 |
| What was Bea's dad's name? | Daniel | 3 |
| Why did Bea's parents call for a family meeting when she was eight years old? | They told her they were getting a divorce | 3 |
| What was Bea's cat's name? | Red | 3 |
| Who was the only person in Bea's class she knew of whose parents were divorced? | Carolyn Shattuck | 4 |
| What did Bea's parents give her after they told her they were getting divorced? | A Green spiral notebook with a list entitled, 'Things that Will Not Change' | 4 |
| What was Bea's favorite color? | green | 4 |
| What was number seven in the list of Things That Will Not Change that Bea added? | Red would stay with her and her mom | 4 |
| What had Bea's dad done to decorate her bedroom? | Painted a rainbow over her bed | 4 |

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| How did Bea's idea of a weekend change after her dad moved out? | She used to think of a weekend as Saturday and Sunday, but afterwards, she thought of the weekend as Friday and Saturday | 5 |
| What things at the lake cabin made Bea think of her mom? | Her mom's blue Sorry! Pieces and the chipped yellow bowl she used for tomato salad | 6 |
| What were Uncle Frank's and Aunt Ess's children's names? | James, Angelica, and Jojo | 6 |
| How did Bea's dad explain being gay to her? | That he was attracted to some men the same way some men were attracted to some women. | 7 |
| Why didn't Uncle Frank usually swim in the lake? | He said it was too cold. | 7 |
| How much older was Bea's cousin, James, than her? | Four years | 7 |
| What nickname did James make up for Bea that bothered her when she found out what it meant? | Ping Pong | 7 |
| What did James's nickname for his sister, BD, mean? | Bottom drawer | 7 |
| What nickname did James have for his little brother, Jojo? | Speaker (short for speakerphone) | 8 |
| How much older than Bea was her cousin, Angelica? | A year and a half | 8 |
| What was the meaning of the nickname, Ping Pong, that James gave to Bea? | That she went back and forth between her parents | 8 |
| What did Bea and Jojo have in common? | Green was their favorite color | 9 |
| What was Bea's parents' name? | Rocco | 9 |
| Why did Bea prefer dancing at her dad's house? | Her mom didn't believe in bedroom door locks | 11 |
| What was Bea's babysitter's name? | Sheila | 12 |
| What were Bea's 'Dad Days'? | Monday, Wednesday, and every other Friday | 12 |

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| What things did Sheila do for Bea's dad? | Picked Sheila up from school, cleaned his apartment, and walked their dog, Rocco. | 12 |
| What things did Bea's parents disagree about in regard to raising a child? | Her dad thought a 10 year old shouldn't go to PG-13 movies or use curse words; her mom didn't believe in cereal with more than 3 grams of sugar, going to school with a temperature above 98.6, or wasting money | 12 |
| Why didn't Bea like Thursdays at school? | It was spelling test day | 12 |
| Why did Bea always yell, 'Come!' when Sheila knocked on her door? | They were both Star Trek: The Next Generation fans and she was impersonating Captain Picard | 12 |
| What did Sheila notice about Captain Picard? | He always tugged on his uniform | 13 |
| Why did Bea have red rashes on her neck, arms and legs? | She had eczema | 14 |
| What was the name of Bea's 5th grade teacher? | Mr. Home | 15 |
| What did Bea's mom do for a career? | She was a university math teacher who taught other teachers | 15 |
| What did Mr. Home always call Bea's best friend, Angus? | College Boy | 15 |
| What did Mr. Home regularly do that made Bea feel bad? | He had lunch parties on the last Friday of every month only for spelling experts who got 100% on the spelling tests | 15 |
| What rhyme helps people remember that, usually, when two vowels are next to one another, you say the first one and the second one is silent? | When two vowels go walking, the first one does the talking | 15 |
| What word did Bea spell wrong because it didn't follow the rule, When two vowels go walking, the first one does the talking? | relief | 15 |

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| In Captain Picard's mind when he got hit with a light beam that caused a brain virus, what did he learn to do? | Play the flute | 17 |
| What did the dentist tell Bea's dad to do whenever he brushed his teeth? | Brush them for two rounds of Happy Birthday | 17 |
| How was Bea's room decorated at her dad's apartment? | Plants in the windows, a new rainbow over her new bed, an orange couch, a puffy purple chair, and a red rug | 21 |
| How did Bea already know her dad's boyfriend, Jesse's, sister? | She was Sheila, who had been Bea's babysitter for two years | 22 |
| What did Jesse say about Sheila before he winked at Bea? | That Sheila was a true southern lady | 22 |
| Where did Jesse and Sheila grow up? | Arkansas | 22 |
| What did Jesse call toast that was buttered on both sides? | Double toast | 22 |
| Who was Bea's favorite teacher of all time? | Ms. Adams | 22 |
| What did Jesse do that Bea's 2nd grade teacher, Ms. Adams, did in her classroom? | Made a job chores wheel | 22 |
| What did Sheila say about Jesse that made Bea love him even more? | He was always a worrier, just like her | 22 |
| What did Bea's dad give her for her 10th birthday that made her eczema worse? | A silver ring with turquoise | 24 |
| Why is running hot water on eczema bad, even though it feels so good? | It dries out the skin and makes it even itchier | 24 |
| What did Bea's parents call hot water on eczema? | A five second solution | 24 |
| What did Angus show Bea to do so she could see in the dark? | Close one eye so it would stay adjusted to the dark | 24 |
| Why did Lizette Ford and Bea get in a fight in 2nd grade? | Bea snuck into the coat closet and took a root beer from Lizette's lunch bag and put it into her lunch bag | 26 |

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| What did Bea forget to bring to school? | Heavy cream to make butter | 26 |
| How did happiness make Bea feel? | huge | 27 |
| What did Bea do after she and Lizette bought heavy cream from the deli? | She kicked a broken green bottle while wearing sandals and cut her foot badly | 28 |
| What was the name of Bea's dad's restaurant where he was the chef? | Beatrice | 30 |
| What was Bea's favorite dinner at her Dad's restaurant? | French toast | 30 |
| What did Jesse do every day at the restaurant? | He called all the people to remind them of their reservations the following night. | 30 |
| Where did Dan and Jesse have their wedding? | In the garden behind the Beatrice restaurant | 30 |
| What special lunch was served at Beatrice? | An oyster lunch | 31 |
| Where did Bea leave the carton of heavy cream when she left school with her cut foot? | Next to a plastic plant in the nurse's office | 31 |
| What is the phrase used for people who show their feelings openly for all to see? | They wear their heart on their sleeve | 31 |
| What two things do you need to make your own butter? | Heavy cream and an empty jar with a tight-fitting lid | 32 |
| What do you have to do a LOT to make butter? | Shake the cream | 32 |
| What was Bea's favorite kind of bread of the four they served at Beatrice? | pumpernickel | 32 |
| What spice did they use a lot of at Beatrice that Jesse added to the butter they made? | salt | 32 |
| What things happened the year Bea turned eight and her dad moved out? | She started worrying a lot, there were three terrible 3rd grade parties, and she met Miriam | 35 |
| What did Miriam compare to feelings that drag you around? | Big dogs | 36 |

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| What did Bea write in her green notebook as number 14 in the List of Things that Will Not Change? | I am not going to Miryems! | 37 |
| What did Bea's parents use to bribe her to continue seeing Miriam? | Sour gummy bears | 37 |
| What did Bea and Miriam have in common? | They both loved sour gummy bears | 37 |
| What city did Bea live in? | New York City | 39 |
| What did Bea want more than anything else? | A sister | 40 |
| What kind of party was the first terrible 3rd grade party that was at Carrie Greenhouse's house? | A Halloween party | 40 |
| What game did they play at Carrie Greenhouse's Halloween party that ended up being disastrous for Bea? | Musical Chairs | 40 |
| What did Bea do at the Halloween party that upset people? | She shoved another child out of a chair during Musical Chairs | 41 |
| What did it mean when Bea's mom squeezed her hand three times? | I-Love-You | 42 |
| What did it mean when Bea squeezed her mom's hand twice? | How-much | 42 |
| What did Bea do when she and her mom left Carrie Greenhouse's apartment? | She threw her bag of candy at Carrie's mom and it hit the wall behind her and all the candy exploded all over | 42 |
| What did Miriam teach Bea to do so that she wouldn't impulsively do things that she would regret? | Think two steps ahead | 42 |
| Who was the child Bea shoved out of the chair during musical chairs? | Angus who became her best friend | 42 |
| What did Miriam have in her office so people couldn't hear private conversations? | A noisemaker machine that hummed loudly | 45 |
| What did Bea and her mom yell whenever Bea's dad left them a food package? | Box! | 45 |

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| How did Bea know the cake her dad left them was a lemon cake? | She recognized the shape of the pan with ridges on top | 46 |
| What two types of smiles did Lizette have? | A cat smile and a clown smile | 46 |
| What did Bea's mom call it when they danced and did chores at the same time? | A working dance party | 46 |
| How much older than Lizette was her big brother, Damian? | Three years | 48 |
| Why couldn't Lizette have any pets? | Her brother, Damian, was allergic to them | 48 |
| What did Bea's dad almost choke on | An orange | 50 |
| What did the neighbor do to Bea's dad that saved his life when he was choking on an orange? | He performed the Heimlich maneuver on him. | 50 |
| Who was the neighbor who saved Bea's dad's life when he was choking on an orange? | Jesse | 50 |
| When Jesse did the Heimlich maneuver on Daniel, where did the piece of orange go when it flew out of Daniel's windpipe? | Onto Mrs. Carmody's doormat that said Welcome in ten languages | 50 |
| Why was Jesse staying in the apartment next to Bea's and her dad's when they first met? | He was cat-sitting for their neighbor, a lawyer, who was in California | 50 |
| What did Miriam instruct Bea to do in order to deal with her worrying? | To set two times a day to worry for 5 minutes straight. | 50 |
| By the time Bea was ten, when did she usually do her daily worrying? | At dinnertime. | 51 |
| What was Angus's number one nightmare? | Eating a scallop | 51 |
| Why didn't the butter the kids made at school taste good? | It didn't have any salt in it | 51 |
| What school subject was Bea very good at? | Math and times tables | 51 |
| How did Bea get a sister? | Jesse had a daughter named Sonia who lived in California | 55 |

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| In what month were Bea and Sonia both born? | June | 55 |
| How much were Bea and Sonia apart in age? | 22 days | 55 |
| In what children's book are the orphans' beds lined up perfectly? | Madeline | 57 |
| Where did Bea once fly on a plane? | Florida | 59 |
| What was the worst part of Bea's first time flying on an airplane? | The flight attendant said she had a special treat for her, but it was a hot dog, which Bea hated. | 59 |
| What were Bea's favorite kind of puzzles to do in puzzle books? | Word finds | 62 |
| What did Bea start doing until Sonia finally came to visit in January? | Wrote letters to her | 62 |
| What was the worst part about lunch time for Bea when she had to eat in the lunchroom while others got to stay for the party? | Lining up while everyone looked | 62 |
| How did Bea get stabbed with a pencil in 2nd grade? | Carolyn Shattuck to her to make a bridge with her pencil so she could karate chop it. | 64 |
| What did Bea's dad call the pencil mark that never went away from Bea's thumb? | The world's tiniest tattoo | 64 |
| What did Mr. Home start doing in class that would add a +1 to students' spelling tests? | Having them balance the tests on their heads | 65 |
| Which committee was Bea on for the colonial breakfast with her best friends, Angus and Lizette? | The food committee | 65 |
| What did Angus call the three coats people left in the closet at Beatrice a long time ago? | The orphan coats | 67 |
| What names did Angus give to the orphan coats in the closet at Beatrice? | Gerald, Phoebe, and Tim | 67 |
| How old was Mr. Home when his parents got divorced? | thirteen | 68 |

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| What was the difference between the kitchen table at Bea's mom's and her dad's? | Her mom's was round with three chairs, her dad's was rectangular with six chairs | 68 |
| What did Angus have a fight with his mom about that he won? | His right to save his dessert for breakfast | 68 |
| What did Sheila say it meant if you got a shiver for no reason? | Someone is walking on your future grave | 69 |
| What foods did both Bea and Sonia love? | Barbecue potato chips, yogurt with honey, and pistachios | 70 |
| Where did Daniel, Jesse, Bea and Sonia go for dinner the first night Sonia visited? | Pizzeria Pete's | 70 |
| What did Bea do with the burned crusts of pizza at Pizzeria Pete's that made them delicious? | Dipped them in Ranch dressing | 70 |
| What did Sonia do that surprised and worried Bea when they were at Pizzeria Pete's? | She ran out the door | 70 |
| What word did Bea and her parents have that was code for 'I want to know what's going on with you and I'm listening'? | hi | 70 |
| What did all the kids do at Ben Larson's 8th birthday party that was horrible for Bea? | They went for a speedboat ride in the Hudson River | 73 |
| What did Bea keep screaming while they were on the speedboat ride for Ben Larson's birthday party? | I don't like this! | 73 |
| What feeling felt like a wave rushing up on Bea from the ground? | guilt | 76 |
| What did fear feel like to Bea? | Her throat closed up and it felt like someone was pressing on her chest | 76 |
| What did Bea have that used to belong to her grandpa? | An old fashioned tape recorder that took D batteries | 79 |
| What did Bea and Sonia listen to at night on the tape recorder? | Bea's grandpa reading stories | 79 |

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| What story did Bea's grandpa record on March 8, 1983? | Frog and Toad | 79 |
| What were Sonia's brother's middle names? | Manuel and Raphael | 79 |
| What sport did Sonia like to do? | swimming | 79 |
| What was Bea's favorite thing at the museum? | The German armor | 82 |
| What did everyone at Beatrice do at 4 o'clock every day? | Family meal before the dinner rush started | 82 |
| What special dessert did Jesse make for Bea, Angus, and Sonia? | Warm peanut-butter cookies with chocolate chips and whipped cream | 82 |
| What did Bea hear in the middle of her grandpa reading Harriet the Spy on the tape? | Her dad crying | 86 |
| What did Bea's grandpa tell her dad about feeling like crying all the sudden for no reason? | It happens sometimes, like a passing storm | 86 |
| What did Bea and the other students use to scratch designs into the papers they had covered with dark blue to reveal the rainbow colors? | Popsicle sticks | 86 |
| What did they do on Sonia's last day visiting in January? | They went ice skating after school | 88 |
| How did Bea recognize Lizette in all the people in the crowded locker room at the ice skating place? | She had a purple coat | 88 |
| What did Lizette have on her skates? | Green pom-poms with two little bells | 88 |
| What did Lizette's mom tell Bea's dad that could help with the wedding? | Her mom was a baker | 90 |
| What was Jesse's favorite kind of cake that was one of Lizette's grandma's favorites too? | 7 Up cake | 90 |
| What was the name of the condition Angelica had that made the muscles in half her face not work? | Bell's Palsy | 90 |

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| What did Bea worry caused Angelica's Bell's Palsy? | Her fall from the sleeping loft at the cabin | 90 |
| Which of the stories read by Bea's grandpa did she not want to share at first with Sonia? | Paddington | 92 |
| What did Bea want to do at night in the dark with Sonia that she thought was what all sisters did? | Talk | 93 |
| What did Bea think when she was little and she saw the moon through two different windows in her bedroom? | That they were two different moons | 94 |
| What did Rocco start doing after Sonia went home that Bea thought meant he missed her? | He went to the orange couch and rested his head on it. | 95 |
| What did Sonia leave behind in Bea's room that Bea put in her jewelry box to keep for her? | A green hair band | 95 |
| Who was the only other one Bea knew with eczema? | Her Uncle Frank | 97 |
| What did Sheila think was important to do when planning a wedding? | Have a theme | 99 |
| How did Bea like to eat her oysters? | With lots of lemon juice | 99 |
| What did Angus always say when he didn't want to try eating something? | Too rich for my blood | 99 |
| Why did oysters use to be considered low-class before they became fancy? | There used to be lots of oysters in the water around New York so they were cheap. | 100 |
| What did Jesse tell Bea and Angus about some of the old streets and buildings in downtown New York City? | They were partly built with crushed oyster shells | 100 |
| What did Jesse do with all the restaurant's empty oyster shells? | He took them to Brooklyn twice a week to help rebuilt the oyster beds | 100 |
| What did Jesse say oysters were like because they cleaned the water? | Little vacuum cleaners | 100 |

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| Who taught the colonists about oysters? | The Native Americans | 101 |
| What did Mr. Home say about the importance of oysters to the colonists? | Many would have starved during the winter of 1609 if it wasn't for oysters. | 101 |
| What was the colonial breakfast menu for class 5-334? | Store-bought bread, handmade butter, beef jerky, cider, and oysters | 101 |
| What happened in class that made Carolyn Shattuck scream? | Angus dropped his butter shaking jar and it broke | 102 |
| What disagreement did Daniel and Jesse have about their wedding invitations? | Daniel thought e-invites were fine, but Jesse wanted real paper invitations | 105 |
| What did Sheila use to address all the invitation envelopes? | A calligraphy pen | 105 |
| Who did Jesse say was not coming to the wedding? | Sonia's Uncle Mission | 105 |
| Why didn't Jesse's brother, Mission, want to come to the wedding? | He didn't like the fact that his brother was marrying a man. | 107 |
| How many times did Angus say it was impossible to fold a piece of paper? | More than seven times | 107 |
| Where did Rocco most like to be petted? | Down the back of his head | 107 |
| What did Bea secretly do with one of the extra invitations? | She mailed it to Jesse's brother, Mission | 111 |
| What kind of stamps did Jesse buy for the wedding invitations? | Love stamps | 111 |
| How did Bea feel when she saw that her mom had been crying? | She felt mad at her. | 113 |
| Why did Miriam think Bea may have felt mad at her mom for crying? | It scared her. | 114 |
| How long before the wedding did Jesse say the invitations should be mailed? | Six weeks before | 116 |
| How did Lizette's grandma make wedding cake samples? | She made them into little cupcakes | 116 |
| What did Bea learn about wedding cakes? | They have three layers, and each layer is a different kind of cake | 116 |

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| What were the flavors of the wedding cake layers? | The bottom, biggest layer was 7 Up cake, the middle one was lemon, and the top cake was chocolate | 116 |
| Why did Bea's mom wake up Bea in them middle of the night? | A bat flew into their apartment through an open window | 118 |
| How did Bea's mom know it was a bat and not a bird that flew in the window? | She saw it hanging upside down | 119 |
| What did Bea and her mom have to do after the bat got into their house? | Get rabies shots | 121 |
| What did Dennis Mason once tell Bea about rabies shots? | The needle was as big as a ruler and they injected it into your stomach | 121 |
| What did Bea learn about rabies shots? | They were regular sized shots that went into your arm and they needed five of them. | 123 |
| What was the name of the doctor that gave Bea and her mom the rabies shots? | Dr. Thomas | 123 |
| What did Bea call the look she made when she didn't want anyone to know what she was thinking? | Her rock face | 123 |
| Where was the hospital Angelica had to go to for her Bell's Palsy? | Cleveland, Ohio | 126 |
| Why was Bea upset that her dad was going to fly to Minnesota to stay with her cousins, James and Jojo, while her aunt and uncle took Angelica to the hospital in Cleveland? | He would miss her Colonial Breakfast at school | 126 |
| Why couldn't Bea's mom attend the Colonial Breakfast at school? | She was going to a teachers' conference in Philadelphia | 126 |
| What was the worst thing about getting a rabies shot because of the bat? | Thinking about it before getting it. | 129 |
| What did Dr. Thomas tell Bea about Bell's Palsy? | It wasn't something you could catch, and it was almost always temporary. | 129 |

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| Why did Bea have bruises on her arm that Dr. Thomas noticed? | She had been pinching herself hard all day before getting the rabies shot and saying to herself, see, it's over. | 129 |
| What did Bea's mom's friend, Melissa, come over to teach her how to do? | Cook a chicken | 130 |
| Where was Bea's mom's roasting pan to cook the chicken in? | Under a plant | 130 |
| What did Lizette do with her piece of cake when she was with Bea? | Played halvesies - bit it in half and passed it back and forth until it was gone | 131 |
| What did Bea want to do at Angus's house? | Brush his cat, Floo-floo | 134 |
| What was the difference between Angus's cat, Floo-floo, and Bea's cat, Red? | Red did not like to be brushed, but Floo-floo loved it. | 134 |
| Why didn't Bea like to go to Angus's house? | His mother never forgave Bea for pushing Angus onto the floor so she treated Bea like she didn't like her. | 134 |
| What did Angus's mom do after Carrie's Halloween party? | She took Bea off the invitation list for Angus's birthday party. | 134 |
| What did Angus's mom do for a living? | She was a writer. | 134 |
| How much older was Angus's sister than he was? | Nine years | 136 |
| What did Angus say about having a sister? | It felt like he had someone else in his boat that he didn't need to explain things to about why he was the way he was. | 136 |
| What did Jesse ask his parents and sibling for when he told them he was gay? | To still be there for him after he broke off his engagement to Sonia's mom, Ellie. | 138 |
| What did Jesse's mother say after he announced that he was gay? | She said it never happened, and he should never say those words again. | 139 |

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| Why didn't Jesse call off his wedding to Ellie, Sonia's mom? | If he did, his family (except for Sheila) would turn their backs on him. | 139 |
| What did Jesse and Bea do together when her dad was in Minnesota? | They took a bag of oyster shells to Brooklyn and then went to register for wedding gifts at the department store. | 142-143 |
| What did Bea feel like when she picked up the back of the bag of oysters so Jesse didn't have to drag it? | Like something was picked up inside of her. | 142 |
| What did the department store people give to Jesse and Bea to help them register for wedding gifts? | Laser pointers | 143 |
| What things did Jesse and Bea pick out as wedding gifts? | Spatulas, bowls, picture frames, waffle maker, ice cream maker, and a \$200 blender | 143 |
| What kind of cake did Jesse and Bea eat at the department store cafe? | Carrot cake | 143 |
| What did Sheila say about Jesse's weight loss before his wedding to Ellie? | When people take away their love, it makes you smaller, and can make you disappear. | 146 |
| For how many years were Ellie and Jesse married before he told everyone he was gay? | Ten years, after his parents had died | 146 |
| What happened after Jesse announced he was gay after ten years of marriage? | His brother, Mission, turned his back on him again. | 146 |
| Why did it hurt Sheila especially to have Mission turn away from them? | They were twins | 147 |
| What song did Bea hear her dad singing on one of the tapes her grandpa made? | You are my sunshine | 149 |
| Where was the recording of Bea's dad singing You Are My Sunshine on the cassette? | In the middle of the story A Bear Called Paddington between chapters six and seven. | 149 |

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| What theme did Sheila decide on for the wedding? | sunshine | 149 |
| What was the thing Sheila liked to cook best? | Grilled cheese | 150 |
| Why didn't Sheila like to cook spaghetti? | She couldn't stand waiting for the water to boil. | 150 |
| Why did Sonia get upset and drop out of contact for a while? | She didn't know that her dad and Uncle Mission weren't talking. | 150 |
| What was number six on the list of Things That Will Never Change? | We are still a family, but in a different way. | 152 |
| What did Sonia say about Bea thinking there were two moons when she was little? | It was like a superpower - the girls who could see two moons | 152 |
| At what time did the Colonial Breakfast start? | 2:30 PM | 154 |
| What play did the 5th grade students watch before the Colonial Breakfast? | Getting Ready for Another Day in Colonial America | 154 |
| What did Mr. Home call his violin? | A fiddle | 154 |
| What is a fiancé? | A person you are going to marry. | 154 |
| What was the Billion Oyster Project trying to do? | Put a billion oyster shells into the water to attract the oysters to come back to New York City. | 155 |
| Why did Mr. Home ask Carolyn if she wanted to sit on the beanbag chair? | She would have to be silent | 155 |
| Who ate the second oyster after Jesse ate the first one? | Bea | 155 |
| Who ate the third oyster after Jesse and Bea ate one? | Mr. Home | 155 |
| Why didn't Lizette eat an oyster? | She was allergic to shellfish | 155 |
| Who ate the fourth oyster after Jesse, Bea, and Mr. Home? | Angus | 156 |
| Why was it such a big deal that Angus ate the fourth oyster? | He was afraid and horrified at the thought of it, but he did it to support Bea and Jesse. | 156 |
| What did Carolyn say to Bea that made Bea feel cold because she was so mad? | That Sonia wouldn't be her real sister. | 159 |

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| What did Bea do to Carolyn after she said Sonia wouldn't be her real sister? | She tricked her into smashing her own hand into her own face. | 159 |
| What did Bea guess having rabies felt like? | Turning into a wild animal | 161 |
| What did Bea do that made her feel better about her relationship with Carolyn Shattuck? | She wrote a letter of apology and explanation for making Carolyn bash herself in the face. | 163 |
| What did Jesse do when Mission showed up at his door that upset Sheila? | He invited Mission in. | 167 |
| What did Bea's mom cook with ingredients mailed to them in a dinner kit? | Pasta Primavera | 172 |
| What did Bea's dad call the dinner kits that people have mailed to them? | Kiddie kits | 172 |
| What did Bea serve to herself and her mom after the pasta primavera? | Two Oreos each | 172 |
| What was the big worry Bea had been carrying for a long time? | That she had caused Angelica's Bell's Palsy by pushing her off the sleeping loft the summer before. | 175 |
| What did Bea do for the first time in Miriam's office before she confessed to pushing Angelica off the sleeping loft? | She cried | 175 |
| In what order did Bea, James, and Angelica sleep in the sleeping loft? | James at the top of the ladder, Bea in the middle, Angelica against the far wall. | 178 |
| What rhyme did James make up that made Bea mad when they were playing a name song game? | My butt's not big but my daddy's gay | 180 |
| What did Uncle Frank say when someone stood in front of him? | You're in my sun | 180 |
| Why didn't Bea tell her dad about the mean rhyme James had said in front of everyone? | She didn't want anything to change. | 181 |

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| What did Uncle Frank tell Bea his mom made him do when he was little and had eczema like her? | Wear cotton gloves at night so he wouldn't scratch. | 181 |
| Who did Angelica invite to dinner at the cabin, and one of them sat in Bea's usual chair? | The girls from cabin 11 | 182 |
| Why was Bea angry about eating bacon, lettuce, and tomato sandwiches? | It made her think of Natalie the pig that had lived in the pen behind the general store that was now the bacon. | 182 |
| What did James call BLTs when he was little? | Bits and coin | 182 |
| Why did Bea blame James for killing Natalie the pig? | They had BLTs twice in ten days because it was his favorite dinner. | 182 |
| What did Miriam say we did when we don't want to look hard at our behavior? | We look hard at everything else instead | 182 |
| What did Bea do that embarrassed Angelica in front of her friends? | She made fun of Angelica's stutter | 182 |
| What did it feel like to Bea when her mom was mad at her? | Like a mouse was hitting her stomach from inside with a little hammer | 184 |
| What did it feel like to Bea when her dad was mad at her? | Like there were ten mice hitting the inside of her stomach with ten hammers | 184 |
| What colorful expression means you are so angry, you can't think straight? | Seeing red | 184 |
| What saying did Bea's mom have that described her terrible time at the lake? | Worse met worst | 187 |
| What did Bea and Angelica always do on Friday mornings? | They took the canoe to get Uncle Frank's newspapers at the general store | 187 |
| Where did Angelica and the girls from Cabin 11 go in the canoe? | To the waterslide | 188 |

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| What did Angelica and the girls from Cabin 11 do after they played on the waterslide? | The girls' mother took them to the arcade | 188 |
| What was the name of the burger place on the other side of the lake that reminded Bea of her mom? | Burger Base | 189 |
| What did Bea's mom call the perfect all-brown meal? | A burger, onion rings, and a Dr. Pepper from Burger Base | 189 |
| What was next door to the Burger Base? | Go karts | 189 |
| What did Angelica complain about at the go kart place? | The smell of gasoline | 189 |
| Who was the only one who didn't forgive Bea for doing mean things? | Bea herself | 190 |
| What animal did Bea think of that protects itself from getting hurt by covering up? | An oyster putting slime over a piece of dirt and growing a pearl | 190 |
| Why was Bea disappointed when she woke up on the day of the wedding? | It was raining | 193 |
| What did they call Jesse because he predicted it would be sunny and dry by 3 pm for the wedding? | The weatherman | 194 |
| What kinds of flowers did they have at the wedding? | Sunflowers and daisies | 194 |
| What did Sheila give to Bea and Sonia to wear at the wedding that was the most grown-up thing anyone had ever given Bea? | Gold chain necklaces with a little golden sun hanging from them. | 195 |
| What did Sheila say was the trick to not making zits worse? | Not picking them | 197 |
| What did James throw at his sister, Angelica, when he was ten that left a scar on her head? | A piece of wood that had a nail sticking out of it. | 198 |
| Why did Angelica think she had bad karma that caused her Bell's Palsy? | She threw away a toad that was sucked up by her vacuum cleaner the day before her Bell's Palsy started | 200 |

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| What did Angelica say about the year before at the lake? | James was mean all summer and her parents fought a lot. | 200 |
| Who talked the most in counseling from Angelica's family? | James | 200 |
| What did Bea tell Angelica to do in regard to the toad? | Forgive herself | 201 |
| What did Uncle Frank and Aunt Ess do when Jesse's brother, Mission, disrupted the wedding by telling him not to marry Daniel? | They started singing You Are My Sunshine and everyone else joined in. | 204 |
| What did Jesse's brother, Mission, do before he left the wedding? | He pushed the wedding cake off the table | 205 |
| What word did Sonia whisper when she and Sonia hugged after the wedding? | sisters | 206 |
| What group did Jesse belong to when he was young? | The Boy Scouts | 208 |
| What is the name for carrying a kayak over land to get to the next body of water to sail on? | Pottage | 209 |
| Why was every trip Jesse took in took in the Boy Scouts different each year? | It was with different people | 209 |
| What did Jesse tell Bea about life? | It was a long trip, and what mattered most was the people you travel with | 209 |
| What is a party after a wedding called? | A reception | 210 |
| What did Bea say when she stood on a chair to make a speech at the reception? | We made a new family today. I think we should be dancing. | 211 |
| What did they have for dessert at the reception because Mission destroyed the wedding cake? | Ice cream sandwiches | 211 |
| What was Sonia's favorite story read by Bea's grandpa on the tape? | Charlotte's Web | 214 |

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| What did listening to corn grow have to do with the story? | It was about the love between Bea's dad and his brother that accepted one another exactly as they were. | 216 |
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