



# QUIZ #1



## THIEF IN THE PARK: CHAPTERS 1 - 7

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Read each question and select the best answer.

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1. Most kids avoided a confrontation with Moose because
  - a. Moose was too young and weak.
  - b. Moose's dad would become angry and would kick them off the school bus.
  - c. It was easier to step aside and remain unnoticed and unharmed.
  - d. It was too hard to find Moose.
  
2. Otto Cutter, Neelburg's barber, said Evan and Boone were famous because
  - a. Evan's dad was a Park Ranger.
  - b. Evan and Boone helped rescue a little girl that was lost in the Park.
  - c. Evan and Boone helped Doc save a raccoon.
  - d. Evan and Boone rescued Esther from the pond.
  
3. THE STICK stopped the robbery at the Neelam County Bank by
  - a. striking the back of the robber's knees.
  - b. knocking the money bags out of the robber's hands.
  - c. hitting the robber on the head.
  - d. knocking the robber's gun out of his hand.
  
4. Evan, Mica, and Charu are alike in that all three are
  - a. eleven years old, rising sixth graders, and run on a track team.
  - b. eleven years old, rising sixth graders, and have Indian ancestry.
  - c. twelve years old, rising sixth graders, and play on a soccer team.
  - d. eleven years old, rising sixth graders, and know about the magic stick.
  
5. Evan, Mica, and Charu cleaned hog manure off The Rock by
  - a. wishing THE STICK to make one magic clean-up swoop.
  - b. waiting for rain to clean the manure off naturally.
  - c. scrubbing it with a plain creek-water scrub.
  - d. scrubbing it with soap and water.

6. Ranger Jonathan Mace told his family that clouters
- a. go on crowded hiking trails, get close to hikers who are carrying valuables, and secretly steal anything they can.
  - b. listen to police scanners, follow Search and Rescue Teams, and steal from the emergency vehicles.
  - c. watch for expensive vehicles parked at trailheads, break the locks on such cars, hotwire the ignition, and swiftly drive the car out of the Park.
  - d. watch for hikers who obviously leave valuables in their car, bash in the vehicle's window with a heavy object, steal whatever they can, and count on a swift getaway.
7. The Clouter calls himself "Clouter One" and never fears being caught because he
- a. steals only debit and credit cards.
  - b. knows all the area pawn shops where he can turn the goods into money.
  - c. steals only cash and is a master at looking like any other tourist.
  - d. has a partner who drives him out of the Park after every hit.



# QUIZ #1 - ANSWERS

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1. **c.** It was easier to step aside and remain unnoticed and unharmed.
2. **b.** Evan and Boone helped rescue a little girl that was lost in the Park.
3. **a.** striking the back of the robber's knees.
4. **d.** eleven years old, rising sixth graders, and know about the magic stick.
5. **c.** scrubbing it with a plain creek-water scrub.
6. **d.** watch for hikers who obviously leave valuables in their car, bash in the vehicle's window with a heavy object, steal whatever they can, and count on a swift getaway.
7. **c.** steals only cash and is a master at looking like any other tourist.



## QUIZ #2



### THIEF IN THE PARK: CHAPTERS 8 - 13

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Read each question and select the best answer.

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1. Who was the childhood friend that Sarah Edwards asked to host her senior citizens' group?
  - a. Grandma Lizetta Mace
  - b. Doc Mace
  - c. Ms. Charm
  - d. Joan Mace
  
2. Doc and Jonathan Mace think it's a good idea for Evan, Mica, and Charu to stay overnight at the retreat center while the senior citizens are visiting because
  - a. the kids can cook and serve breakfast every morning.
  - b. the kids can make beds, clean the rooms, and lay out fresh linens every day.
  - c. the kids can instruct the folks in hiking safety.
  - d. the kids can carry luggage, run errands, get help if any problems occur, and tell the visitors about the Park.
  
3. Esther and Nandan thought the senior citizens
  - a. were bossy.
  - b. all looked alike—wrinkled.
  - c. were unfriendly.
  - d. ate too much.
  
4. Bugle Spray has dedicated his life to
  - a. teaching football tactics.
  - b. running a funeral home.
  - c. eradicating bad bugs.
  - d. cheering up old people.

5. Esther thinks Polly Poutway needs her because
  - a. Polly looks gloomy and sad.
  - b. no one sits with Polly on the bus
  - c. Polly falls down the bus steps.
  - d. Polly's clothes are ragged.
  
6. Tank loves to
  - a. tell about his success as owner and operator of a deli in Ohio.
  - b. share and demonstrate grilling methods.
  - c. tell stories about his football feats in high school.
  - d. demonstrate the perfect way to recycle trash.
  
7. Mac Gable and Jonathan Mace are alike in that they have both been active in
  - a. fishing.
  - b. farming.
  - c. fire fighting.
  - d. law enforcement.
  
8. The ladies sitting at the same table with Bug and Neal at Doc's picnic think that
  - a. Bug and Neal are great comedians.
  - b. Bug and Neal tell too many gruesome details about their work.
  - c. Bug and Neal know a lot about the mountains.
  - d. Bug and Neal are unfriendly.



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1. **a.** Grandma Lizetta Mace
2. **d.** the kids can carry luggage, run errands, get help if any problems occur, and tell the visitors about the Park.
3. **b.** all looked alike—wrinkled.
4. **c.** eradicating bad bugs.
5. **a.** Polly looks gloomy and sad.
6. **c.** tell stories about his football feats in high school.
7. **d.** law enforcement.
8. **b.** Bug and Neal tell too many gruesome details about their work.



## QUIZ #3



### THIEF IN THE PARK: CHAPTERS 14 - 24

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Read each question and select the best answer.

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1. Ranger Jonathan Mace explains that the blue, smoky look of the Great Smoky Mountains is caused by what four factors working together?
  - a. high amount of rainfall, warm temperatures, forest fires, and abundant shade.
  - b. high amount of rainfall, high humidity, air pollution from nearby factories, and trees decaying.
  - c. high amount of rainfall, high humidity, continual decomposition of leaves and forest debris, and tree transpiration.
  - d. high amount of rainfall, high mountain peaks, continual decomposition of animal wastes, and tree transpiration.
  
2. What keeps the men in the Buck Lodge from sleeping well on their first night in the mountains?
  - a. They all eat too much and have stomachaches.
  - b. Bug burns the popcorn.
  - c. Neal bothers everyone with his poor fiddle playing.
  - d. Tank keeps talking football.
  
3. At the Doe Lodge, Polly Poutway wants Moose to
  - a. get rid of a mouse that is in her closet.
  - b. swat flies.
  - c. get her commode to flush.
  - d. pull her uppers out of the commode.
  
4. At The Sinks, the senior citizens believe that Oscar Finch is
  - a. the perfect model of a skilled, lone hiker.
  - b. the clouter.
  - c. a vandalizing scumrat.
  - d. the best storyteller they have ever heard.

5. On the hike to Little Greenbrier School, Evan falls into the creek because
  - a. he trips over a log.
  - b. he gets too close to the edge.
  - c. the path is slippery.
  - d. he is purposely bumped by Moose.
  
6. Moose throws a rock-bashing fit in the creek near Little Greenbrier School because
  - a. he has lost his best pocketknife and can't find it.
  - b. he hasn't been respected as he thought The Moose should have been.
  - c. rocks had scuffed his brand new sandblasted boots
  - d. he's tired of acting nice.
  
7. When Clouter One hit Mr. Meckel's bus, he left his new calling card. What was it?
  - a. muddy footprints inside the bus
  - b. a taunting message painted on the side of the bus
  - c. a deep scratch down the side of the bus
  - d. slashed bus seats



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1. **c.** high amount of rainfall, high humidity, continual decomposition of leaves and forest debris, and tree transpiration.
2. **b.** Bug burns the popcorn.
3. **d.** pull her uppers out of the commode.
4. **a.** the perfect model of a skilled, lone hiker.
5. **d.** he is purposely bumped by Moose.
6. **b.** he hasn't been respected as he thought The Moose should have been.
7. **b.** a taunting message painted on the side of the bus.



## QUIZ #4



### THIEF IN THE PARK: CHAPTERS 25 - 32

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Read each question and select the best answer.

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1. When Ranger Mace apologized to the senior visitors for their having been the victims of a clouter's attack, Mac Gable said, "Quite honestly, I'd say we got off lucky." Why did he say that?
  - a. The clouter only took Tootsie Rolls, sandwiches, and drinks.
  - b. The clouter didn't take any debit or credit cards, travelers' checks, or items related to personal identity.
  - c. Polly Poutway was the only person who lost money.
  - d. Doc insisted on replacing every bit of the money that was stolen.
  
2. After the senior citizens discovered their bus had been clouted, they wanted to
  - a. continue with their day's itinerary.
  - b. go home to Indiana.
  - c. sue Mr. Meckel for negligence.
  - d. go back to their lodges and take a nap.
  
3. What dirty trick did Moose play on Evan and Mica?
  - a. He cut their sheets.
  - b. He threw away their jackets.
  - c. He put poison ivy in their beds.
  - d. He crushed their cell phones.
  
4. What made Ranger Jonathan Mace feel like he was the lone target of a private vendetta?
  - a. Mr. Meckel filed a complaint against him because he didn't keep the bus from being clouted.
  - b. The senior citizens didn't like the way he reported their losses when the bus was clouted.
  - c. He was scolded by his supervisor for not preventing the clouting hits.
  - d. His truck was clouted and a threatening message was painted on its side.

5. At the Dixie Stampede, THE STICK helps Neal Nozeworthy by
  - a. thoroughly cleaning the commode seats.
  - b. boosting Neal's toilet seat forward and serving up a dead ringer.
  - c. turning into a commode seat and serving up a dead ringer.
  - d. bopping the loudmouth who yelled too much.
  
6. In Gatlinburg, Bug Spray
  - a. visits Ripley's Aquarium.
  - b. goes bungee jumping.
  - c. eats too many pancakes.
  - d. buys a huge bear.
  
7. Esther and Nandan do PPR on Ms. Polly because they think
  - a. she's "deaded away."
  - b. she's lonely.
  - c. she's hungry.
  - d. she's a "gery-ac."



## QUIZ #4 - ANSWERS

THIEF IN THE PARK: CHAPTERS 25 - 32



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1. **b.** The clouter didn't take any debit or credit cards, travelers' checks, or items related to personal identity.
2. **a.** continue with their day's itinerary.
3. **c.** He put poison ivy in their beds.
4. **d.** His truck was clouted and a threatening message was painted on its side.
5. **b.** boosting Neal's toilet seat forward and serving up a dead ringer.
6. **d.** buys a huge bear.
7. **a.** she's "deaded away."



## QUIZ #5



### THIEF IN THE PARK: CHAPTERS 33 - 37

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Read each question and select the best answer.

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1. Bug Spray was arrested for
  - a. jawwalking on a busy street in Gatlinburg.
  - b. walking out of the store without paying for his huge bear.
  - c. not paying for his meal at Pancake World.
  - d. illegal trespassing inside a restaurant.
  
2. When the police car drives up to the campfire, Nandan gasps,
  - a. "The police comin' to eat all our doggies!"
  - b. "The police are comin' to kill our fire!"
  - c. "The police are comin' to get the rest of us!"
  - d. "The police are comin' to eat all our s'mores!"
  
3. What does Doc think about the senior citizens off-loading at the bear jam?
  - a. Keeping control of adults is not an easy job.
  - b. I think I'll get me some bear pictures, too.
  - c. Bear jams should be outlawed.
  - d. This is a good time for me to get a bit of rest.
  
4. Why does Clouter One risk making a hit during a bear jam?
  - a. He's teaching an accomplice.
  - b. He's needing some money.
  - c. He's feeling it!
  - d. His partner forces him to do it.

5. How does THE STICK help Tank catch Clouter One?
  - a. It pushes Tank from behind and gives him additional speed.
  - b. It hits the clouter on the head, he slams to the ground, and Tank falls on him.
  - c. It trips the clouter, he slams to the ground, and Tank falls on him.
  - d. It strikes the clouter's legs with such force that he slams to the ground, and Tank falls on top of him.
  
6. Why does Evan find it hard to believe that Tank tackled the right man?
  - a. This man is one of the senior citizens.
  - b. The man Tank caught is his dad's friend, Oscar Finch.
  - c. This man is a ranger.
  - d. This man is too old.
  
7. After processing Oscar Finch's case, why does Ranger Jonathan Mace believe Oscar became a clouter?
  - a. Oscar was angry with Park officials and felt they should be punished.
  - b. Oscar's father was a thief and taught his son to do the same.
  - c. Oscar was furious that he was fined for failing to pay for his campsite and decided to punish the Park.
  - d. Oscar was deeply depressed after his wife's death and reverted to his old habits of stealing.
  
8. Why does Doc confront Moose Meckel?
  - a. Moose put poison ivy in Evan's and Mica's beds.
  - b. Moose was again trying to put manure on The Rock.
  - c. Moose was discourteous to the senior citizens.
  - d. Moose smells like a skunk.



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1. **d.** illegal trespassing inside a restaurant.
2. **c.** “The police are comin’ to get the rest of us!”
3. **a.** Keeping control of adults is not an easy job.
4. **c.** He’s feeling it!
5. **d.** It strikes the clouter’s legs with such force that he slams to the ground, and Tank falls on top of him.
6. **b.** The man Tank caught is his dad’s friend, Oscar Finch.
7. **d.** Oscar was deeply depressed after his wife’s death and reverted to his old habits of stealing.
8. **b.** Moose was again trying to put manure on The Rock.