

Cloze Reading Exercise **Key**
For *Nothing but the Truth*
By Avi

7:30 A.M.
Conversation
between Philip Malloy and Ken Barchet
On the Way to the School Bus

PHILIP MALLOY: What's happening, man?

KEN MARCHET: Nothing. Got room changes. Who'd you get?

PHILIP *MALLOY*: Narwin.

KEN BARCHET: So *do* I. She's okay.

PHILIP *MALLOY*: Can't stand her.

KEN *BARCHET*: Doesn't matter. It's just *homeroom*.

PHILIP MALLOY: No way. *I've* got her for English *too*. I'm going to get *transferred* out of both.

KEN *BARCHET*: Why?

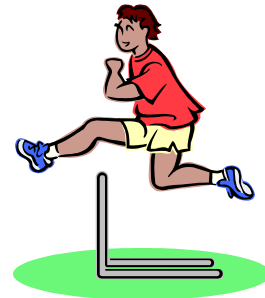
PHILIP MALLOY: Told *you*. Can't stand her.

KEN *BARCHET*: How you going to *do* that?

PHILIP MALLOY: I'm *working* on it.

KEN BARCHET: *Sure*...Malloy Magic, right?

PHILIP *MALLOY*: You'll see.



8:03 A.M.
Discussion
in *Margaret Narwin's* Homeroom Class

MISS *NARWIN*: Ladies and gentlemen, please *settle* down. All right. Settle *down*. For the moment just *take* any seat you wish. *We'll* work out particular problems *a* bit later on. Yes?

STUDENT: Am I supposed to *be* in this room?

MISS NARWIN: What's your name?

STUDENT: *Lisa* Gibbons.

MISS NARWIN: Lisa? *Yes*, you're on my list. *Just* take any seat for *the* moment.

STUDENT: Miss Narwin, *what* about me?

MISS NARWIN: *Is* that you, Gloria? No, *you're* not here. Did you *get* a notice?

GLORIA: No.

MISS NARWIN: Oh, dear. Best *check* in the main office.

ALLISON DORESETT: What about me?

MISS NARWIN: You'll have to *lower* your voices if I'm *going* to sort things out. *Yes*, Allison, you are here. *Yes*?

MISS NARWIN: I think that—

INTERCOM VOICE OF DR. GERTRUDE DOANE, HARRISON HIGH PRINCIPAL:
Good morning *to* all students, faculty, and *staff*.

STUDENT: Am I?

MISS NARWIN: Please, let's just get *done* with the morning business.

DR. DOANE: Today is Wednesday, *March 28*. Today will be a Schedule B day.

Today in history: in the year A.D. 193 the Roman Emperor Pertinax was assassinated. On this day in 1862 the Civil War battle of Glorieta, New Mexico, was fought.

Name _____

Per _____

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Directions:

A Cloze Reading Exercise helps me see if the reading level of this book is appropriate for you. All you need to do is fill in each blank with the missing word. We'll correct it later and see how everyone did. Don't worry. This isn't timed, and you will have plenty of time to fill in each word. Most of them aren't difficult, so just relax and fill in the blanks.

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KEN _____: Why?

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STUDENT: _____ Gibbons.

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____: Joseph R. Rippens.

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