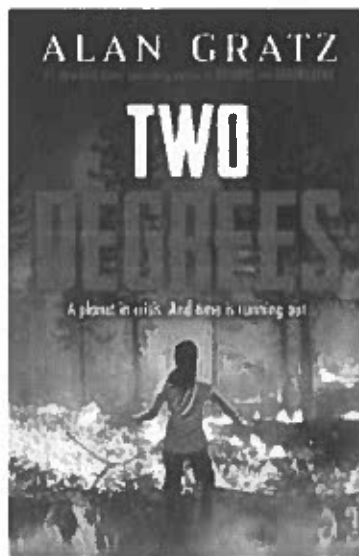


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SUMMER READING PACKET

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QUIZ

Part 1

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 1: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

Choose the best answer for each question.

1. Which line supports the idea that Owen and George live in the middle of nowhere?
 - a) "It was true—you had to use a train, a plane, or a ship to get anything in or out of Churchill."
 - b) "They both wore thick wool socks and thermal underwear too, even though it wasn't the darkest, coldest part of winter yet."
 - c) "The snowmobile zoomed around shallow frozen lakes, and dodged clusters of smooth gray rocks."
 - d) "They had plenty of daylight to make it to the fishing cabin before sundown."
2. Which character trait best describes Akira?
 - a) outgoing
 - b) selfish
 - c) rude
 - d) reserved
3. Why is Natalie obsessed with climate change?
 - a) Her mom is a meteorologist.
 - b) Her dad lives in Puerto Rico.
 - c) She lived through a hurricane and became very interested in weather patterns.
 - d) She thinks climate change is not real.
4. How do the polar bears benefit the town of Churchill?
 - a) They attract tourists, which means money.
 - b) They are beautiful and majestic to look at.
 - c) They are incredibly dangerous when encountered.
 - d) They make their dens nearby.

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QUIZ

Part 1

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 2: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Using evidence from the text respond to the question using complete sentences.

Why does Akira feel uncomfortable when her dad is talking to Sue's dad?

What did Owen and George do wrong on their encounter with Momma Bear?

What caused Natalie to feel a rift between she and her friend Shannon?

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QUIZ

Part 2

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 1: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

Choose the best answer for each question.

1. Why can't Akira and Sue find a safe place to stay?
 - a) The fire is constantly moving and keeps shifting around the mountain.
 - b) They can't find a car.
 - c) The girls lost their dads.
 - d) Sue's shoulder is dislocated so she can't move quickly enough.
2. How could Owen and George's friendship be characterized?
 - a) lighthearted
 - b) weak
 - c) hostile
 - d) superficial
3. Why are Natalie and the Evans' family forced to leave the house?
 - a) The water had risen to the ceiling in their house.
 - b) They saw a boat outside the window and decided to board it.
 - c) The streets were too flooded.
 - d) The house was close to being washed away and would no longer be safe.
4. Which word best describes how Akira felt upon finding Dodger in the pool?
 - a) defeated
 - b) stunned
 - c) outraged
 - d) abandoned

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QUIZ

Part 2

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 2: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Using evidence from the text respond to the question using complete sentences.

What can we infer about Sue in Part 2 of the book?

Why would the polar bear be eating everything including the snowmobile that Owen and George left out on the ice?

Describe the Evans family.

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QUIZ

Part 3

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 1: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

Choose the best answer for each question.

1. "But the wildfire had always been *following* them. How had it gotten out in front?" What type of figurative language is in this line?
 - a) simile
 - b) personification
 - c) metaphor
 - d) onomatopoeia
2. Which of the following is NOT evidence of climate change in Churchill?
 - a) The polar bears are sticking around longer.
 - b) The lake is not completely frozen.
 - c) The polar bears are making their dens nearby.
 - d) The snow is wetter than usual for the time of year.
3. How would you describe Owen?
 - a) observant
 - b) upright
 - c) introverted
 - d) oblivious
4. Why would Isabel sing to her children on the boat before they jump ship?
 - a) She is not worried about the storm.
 - b) She is a musician.
 - c) She is being strong for her child.
 - d) She does not plan to get off the boat.

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Part 3

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 2: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Using evidence from the text respond to the question using complete sentences.

Explain the experiment Suzy's teacher did in her science class and how it represents climate change.

Why does the author refer to Nanuq as an "arctic ninja"?

What leads to the insult contest between Owen and George?

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Part 4

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 1: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

Choose the best answer for each question.

1. Which character trait best describes Natalie?
 - a) lazy
 - b) timid
 - c) determined
 - d) thoughtless
2. How did the plane save Akira and Dodger?
 - a) The chemicals it dropped protected them.
 - b) It put out the fire.
 - c) It called for help.
 - d) It cleared a path for them to escape.
3. What is one word that could be used to describe Akira's relationship with Dodger?
 - a) unimportant
 - b) selfish
 - c) complicated
 - d) loyal
4. Which of the following is NOT a polar bear fact that the boys shared?
 - a) Polar bears roll around in the snow to get clean.
 - b) Polar bear season is getting longer each year.
 - c) Polar bears are new to the area of Manitoba.
 - d) Polar bears are being pushed out by invasive species.

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Part 4

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 2: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Using evidence from the text respond to the question using complete sentences.

What is a common theme throughout the book regarding animals?

What realization does Owen come to in this part of the book?

What is the eye of a hurricane?

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Part 5

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 1: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

Choose the best answer for each question.

1. Why did Akira climb the tree?
 - a) She was trying to escape the fire.
 - b) She needed to get a better visual of the fire.
 - c) She wanted to spend some time alone in the tree.
 - d) She was afraid of the mountain lion they had encountered earlier.
2. What can the reader infer is the meaning of the word *resounding* based on the line, “[They] stood on their hind legs, and slammed into each other with a resounding *thump*”?
 - a) silent
 - b) dangerous
 - c) painful
 - d) loud
3. Which of the following is a quality that Patience demonstrates in this chapter?
 - a) selfishness
 - b) curiosity
 - c) apathy
 - d) compassion
4. What type of figurative language is in the line, “Telephone poles were snapped in two, and downed power lines covered everything in a tangle of black silly string.”
 - a) metaphor
 - b) idiom
 - c) simile
 - d) alliteration

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Part 5

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 2: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Using evidence from the text respond to the question using complete sentences.

What perspective does Akira get in this chapter of the book?

Why would the DNR (Manitoba Department of Natural Resources) have polar bear traps set up around the area?

Why does Natalie feel a strong connection to Patience in this part of the book?

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QUIZ

Part 6

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 1: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

Choose the best answer for each question.

- Who gives Akira the idea to go to the lake for shelter from the fire?
 - her mom
 - Hildi
 - Sue
 - her dad
- Which character trait best describes Akira's dad?
 - stubborn
 - openminded
 - amusing
 - cowardly
- What type of figurative language is in the line, "Owen and George watched as Nanuq loped out onto the snow-covered lake and *-crick-CRACK-SPLASH!*"
 - metaphor
 - allusion
 - onomatopoeia
 - personification
- Why was it significant that Maria Martinez showed up in Liberty City?
 - She brought supplies for the residents of Liberty City.
 - Natalie loved her on the news.
 - Patience had asked her to come.
 - Natalie knew that she could get them the coverage they needed.

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QUIZ

Part 6

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 2: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Using evidence from the text respond to the question using complete sentences.

Why didn't Akira's dad want to leave their house?

Why did the boys save Nanuq?

Explain how Brother's Keeper helps the community after Hurricane Reuben.

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QUIZ

Epilogue

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 1: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

Choose the best answer for each question.

1. Why did the Miami blue butterfly inspire Natalie?
 - a) Blue is her favorite color.
 - b) The Miami blue butterfly can be found all over Florida so she thought it was a fitting symbol.
 - c) Her fictional town growing up was called Mariposa.
 - d) She sees it as a symbol of hope that they can make a change.
2. What word best describes Owen during his speech on stage?
 - a) bashful
 - b) amusing
 - c) somber
 - d) frightened
3. On page 341, as Akira left the stage she thinks, "This time it sounded less like the roar of a distant fire and more like the steady, reassuring thunder of horses' hooves." What does Akira mean by this?
 - a) After her speech, the noise sounds comforting instead of terrifying.
 - b) Akira is unnerved by the noise at the rally.
 - c) After her speech, Akira would rather be home with her horses.
 - d) Akira regrets her decision to speak at the rally.
4. What happened to Nanuq?
 - a) Nanuq was transferred to another area.
 - b) Nanuq was released back into the wild.
 - c) The boys do not know what became of Nanuq.
 - d) Nanuq drowned in the lake.

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QUIZ

Epilogue

Name: _____

Date: _____

PART 2: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Using evidence from the text respond to the question using complete sentences.

Why does Owen say “everything is connected” in his speech?

How did Akira feel about her decision to speak at the rally?

What can the reader infer about Natalie based on the fact that she organized the rally?
