

Back to the Future, Chapter 5: High School

Vocabulary

Without using the textbook, look at the following lines with a partner. Can you remember who said them? If you can't remember, try to guess. What were they talking about?

- a) Maybe you were **adopted**. (p.88)
- b) Do you remember me? The guy who saved your life **the other day**? (p. 90)
- c) Are you tryin' to tell me that my mother has **got the hots for** me? (p. 92)
- d) You must know them! What are their **common interests**? (p. 92)
- e) **Get outta town!** I didn't know you did anything creative. (p. 94)
- f) **All you gotta do** is go over there and ask her. (p. 96)
- g) Shut your **filthy** mouth! (p. 96)
- h) I have to **ask Lorraine out**, but I don't know how to do it! (p. 100)
- i) What made you **change your mind**, George? (p. 100)

Complete the following sentences with the underlined words or phrases from above. Change the form of the words, or replace portions so that they work well (do → did, me → him, etc.)

- 1. You should ask her on a date. I think she has _____ you.
- 2. People are more likely to become good friends if they have _____.
- 3. At first, I wanted to travel abroad in September, but I _____ and decided to join the English course instead.
- 4. If you get lost in a Japanese city, _____ is go to a police box. They will usually help you find your way.
- 5. His clothes were _____ after playing in the dirt all day.
- 6. My parents and I look completely different, so I sometimes think I might have been _____.
- 7. She's beautiful. I would like to _____ her _____ but I don't have the courage
- 8. You won the Super Jumbo Lottery!? _____!
- 9. I think I saw you _____ at the train station.

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1. Why was Marty's older brother disappearing from the photograph?
2. How did Marty's parents (George and Lorraine) first meet originally?
3. How does Lorraine feel about Marty?
4. Where were George and Lorraine supposed to have their first kiss?
5. Why won't George let anyone read his stories?
6. What does George say he wants to do instead of going to the dance?
7. Why does George change his mind about asking Lorraine to the dance?
8. Marty suggests two things that George can say to Lorraine. What are they?
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Discussion

1. In this chapter, we are introduced to a young George. List a few adjectives to describe him. How is he different from Marty?
2. George seems to be the victim of bullying at his school. Have you ever had any experience with bullying? Why does bullying happen? How can bullying be prevented?
3. Marty is thinking of how to get his parents together. In your country, what do young people do on dates these days? How about in the past?
4. George is not confident in approaching Lorraine. Have you ever received or given advice to a friend about meeting women/men or dating?
5. George likes science fiction. What are some famous science fiction films you have seen or books you have read? What genre of films or books do you like?
6. George writes science fiction stories. Do you or your friends have any creative hobbies? How would you feel about showing your work to others?
7. If Marty's parents hadn't met, he wouldn't have been born. Can you think of anything in your life now that would be different if something hadn't happened in the past?

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Vocabulary (Answers)

1. You should ask her on a date. I think she has **got the hots for** you.
2. People are more likely to become good friends if they have **common interests**.
3. At first I wanted to travel abroad in September, but I **changed my mind** and decided to join the English course instead.
4. If you get lost in a Japanese city, **all you gotta do** is go to a police box. They will usually help you find your way.
5. His clothes were **filthy** after playing in the dirt all day.
6. My parents and I look completely different, so I sometimes think I might have been **adopted**.
7. She's beautiful. I would like to **ask her out** but I don't have the courage
8. You won the Super Jumbo Lottery!? **Get outta town!**
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Content (Answers)

1. Because Marty interfered with his parents first meeting.
2. Lorraine's father hit George with his car.
3. She thinks he is a dreamboat / she is infatuated with him / She has the hots for him
4. At the "Enchantment Under The Sea Dance"
5. He is worried that people might not like them or say he is no good.
6. He wants to watch his favorite television program 'Science Fiction Theater'.
7. Because Darth Vader from planet Vulcan (Marty) told him if he didn't, he would melt his brain.
8. 1) Tell her destiny brought you together 2) Tell her she's the most beautiful girl you've seen in the whole world