***Stand By Me* – Unit 5: “Trouble in the Junkyard”**

**Vocabulary**

The following lines are from the script. Can you remember the scenes in which they were used? Try to remember without looking at the textbook.

a) “No ***trespassing***” was enforced by Milo Pressman, the junkman . . . (56)

b) Thus, a kid who had illegally ***scaled*** the junkyard fence . . . (56)

c). . . might hear the ***dread*** cry, “Chopper, sic balls.” (56)

d) “This is a good time.” “The most.” “***A blast***.” (58)

e) Girls, girls, girls, cool it. We’ll ***flip*** for it. (60)

f) ***Shame*** what happened to him. (64)

g) Could be some ***scouts*** at the game tomorrow. (64)

h) You start on the girls, and his mind’s ***all over the place***. (66)

i) The other boys ***scramble*** over the gate. (66)

j) Chopper was my first lesson . . . in the ***vast*** difference between myth and reality. (68)

Complete the following sentences with the underlined words or phrases from above. Change the form of the words, or replace portions of the phrases so that they are grammatically correct and make sense. (do → did, me → him, etc.)

1. With a sense of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I realized that I had forgotten to bring my homework again and that Mr. Maxima would kill me.

2. It was a real \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that Robert couldn’t come to the party. However, we soon forgot about him and enjoyed ourselves.

3. After her cat died, Maggie was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for a long time and couldn’t even concentrate on her aerobics class.

4. There was a big sign outside the secret laboratory, ‘\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will be shot.’

5. Relaxing in front of the TV with a beer, Merwyn quickly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to his feet when his wife walked into the room.

6. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ majority of smokers want to give up but can’t.

7. Most universities have sport \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who watch high school sports games and try to find the next Ichiro.

8. The party last night was great. We had a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

9. Edmund Hillary was the first man to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mount Everest.

10 We couldn’t decide who would have the last piece of cake, so we decided to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a coin to decide.

***Stand By Me* – Unit 5: “Trouble in the Junkyard”**

**Content**

1. Why are the boys frightened of the junkyard?

2. How did Chris once save Teddy?

3. Who had to go and get the food? How did the boys decide?

4. Who did Gordie meet in the store? What did they ‘talk’ about?

5. What is Gordie’s relationship with his father? Give examples.

6. What happened when Gordie got back to the junkyard?

7. The writer says ”Chopper was my first lesson . . . in the vast difference between myth and reality.” What does he mean?

8. How does Milo upset Teddy? Why doesn’t Gordie understand why Teddy is upset?

**Vocabulary (Answers)**

1. With a sense of **dread** I realized that I had forgotten to bring my homework again and that Mr. Maxima would kill me.

2. It was a real **shame** that Robert couldn’t come to the party. However, we soon forgot about him and enjoyed ourselves.

3. After her cat died, Maggie was **all over the place** for a long time and couldn’t even concentrate on her aerobics class.

4. There was a big sign outside the secret laboratory, ‘**Trespassers** will be shot.’

5. Relaxing in front of the TV with a beer, Merwyn quickly **scrambled** to his feet when his wife walked into the room.

6. The **vast** majority of smokers want to give up but can’t.

7. Most universities have sport **scouts** who watch high school sports games and try to find the next Ichiro.

8. The party last night was great. We had a **blast**.

9. Edmund Hillary was the first man to **scale** Mount Everest.

10 We couldn’t decide who would have the last piece of cake, so we decided to **flip** a coin to decide.

**Content (Answers)**

1. They were frightened of Chopper the dog.
2. Teddy fell out of the treehouse and Chris caught him (by his hair).
3. Gordie. They flipped a coin.
4. Mr. Quida the storekeeper. Mr. Quida talked about Gordie’s brother.
5. His father doesn’t acknowledge his existence. The potatoes. His story.
6. Milo and Chopper were there and he had to run for it.
7. Chopper wasn’t as big as the boys had imagined him to be.
8. He calls Teddy’s dad crazy. Gordie has no feelings for his own father.