

GIRL, STOLEN

NOVEL BY APRIL HENRY

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Comprehension Questions

Directions: Answer the following questions in complete sentences providing textual evidence to support your answer.

Chapter 1

1. Read the first four paragraphs and stop. Make a prediction for what is happening.
2. Was your prediction correct? Why or why not?
3. What important trait is revealed about Cheyenne at the end of chapter one?

Chapter 2

4. Who is the protagonist of the novel? How do you know?
5. Who is Griffin?
6. Griffin was not planning to steal a car, so why did he?

7. How does Griffin react when he learns Cheyenne is blind?

Chapter 3

8. After Griffin ties Cheyenne's feet and hands, why does she lie facing him?

9. In this situation, is being blind a blessing or a curse? Why?

Chapter 4

10. In the first paragraph in chapter four, Griffin is deciding what to do with the cigarette lighter. Why is this significant?

11. What is your opinion of Griffin? Does he seem like a bad person to you? Why or why not?

Chapter 5

12. What can you infer happened to Cheyenne's mom?

13. Who is Danielle and what is her job?

14. List some advantages of being blind.

15. What clues has Cheyenne picked up about her situation?

Chapter 6

16. Describe Roy.

17. What is a chop shop?

Chapter 7

18. What is peripheral vision? Is it clear?

19. What might breaking the glass allow Cheyenne to do?

Chapter 8

20. What is a VIN?

21. A big revelation is made about Cheyenne being the daughter of Nike's president. What does this do to her situation?

Chapter 9

22. Why do you think cashiers would talk to Cheyenne's friends and not directly to her?

23. At the end of chapter nine, what is Roy planning to do with Cheyenne?

Chapter 10

24. Why does Roy want a phone that cannot be traced?

Chapter 11

25. Why do you think Cheyenne keeps a tally of favors?

26. Is taking someone's life justifiable if your own life is in danger? Why or why not?

27. At the end of chapter eleven, Cheyenne climbs up on the toilet and reached for the windowsill. Predict what happens next.

Chapter 12

28. Griffin is constantly concerned about Roy's reaction to situations. What can you infer about their relationship?

29. Why would Cheyenne hide in the shower instead of running? What purpose would that serve?

30. Who all was at the shopping center?

Chapter 13

31. Which room is Cheyenne being held in?

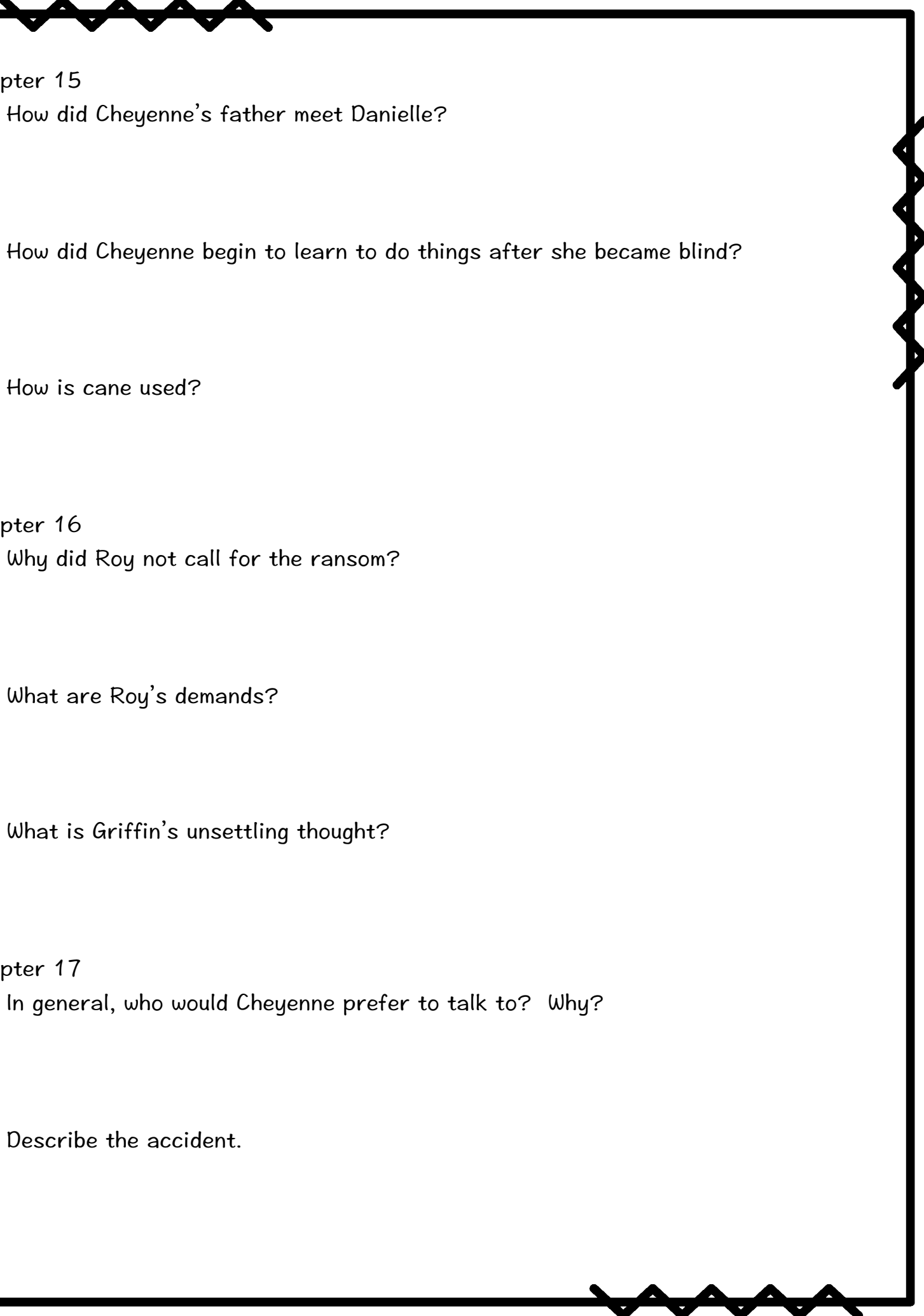
32. Why would they want to get a junker car first and then steal the better car?

33. What is an AMBER alert?

Chapter 14

34. What is a strip and run?

35. What happened to Griffin's mom?



Chapter 15

36. How did Cheyenne's father meet Danielle?

37. How did Cheyenne begin to learn to do things after she became blind?

38. How is cane used?

Chapter 16

39. Why did Roy not call for the ransom?

40. What are Roy's demands?

41. What is Griffin's unsettling thought?

Chapter 17

42. In general, who would Cheyenne prefer to talk to? Why?

43. Describe the accident.

Chapter 18

44. How is Cheyenne's current health?

45. Who is Janie Sawyer?

46. What do Cheyenne and Griffin have in common?

Chapter 19

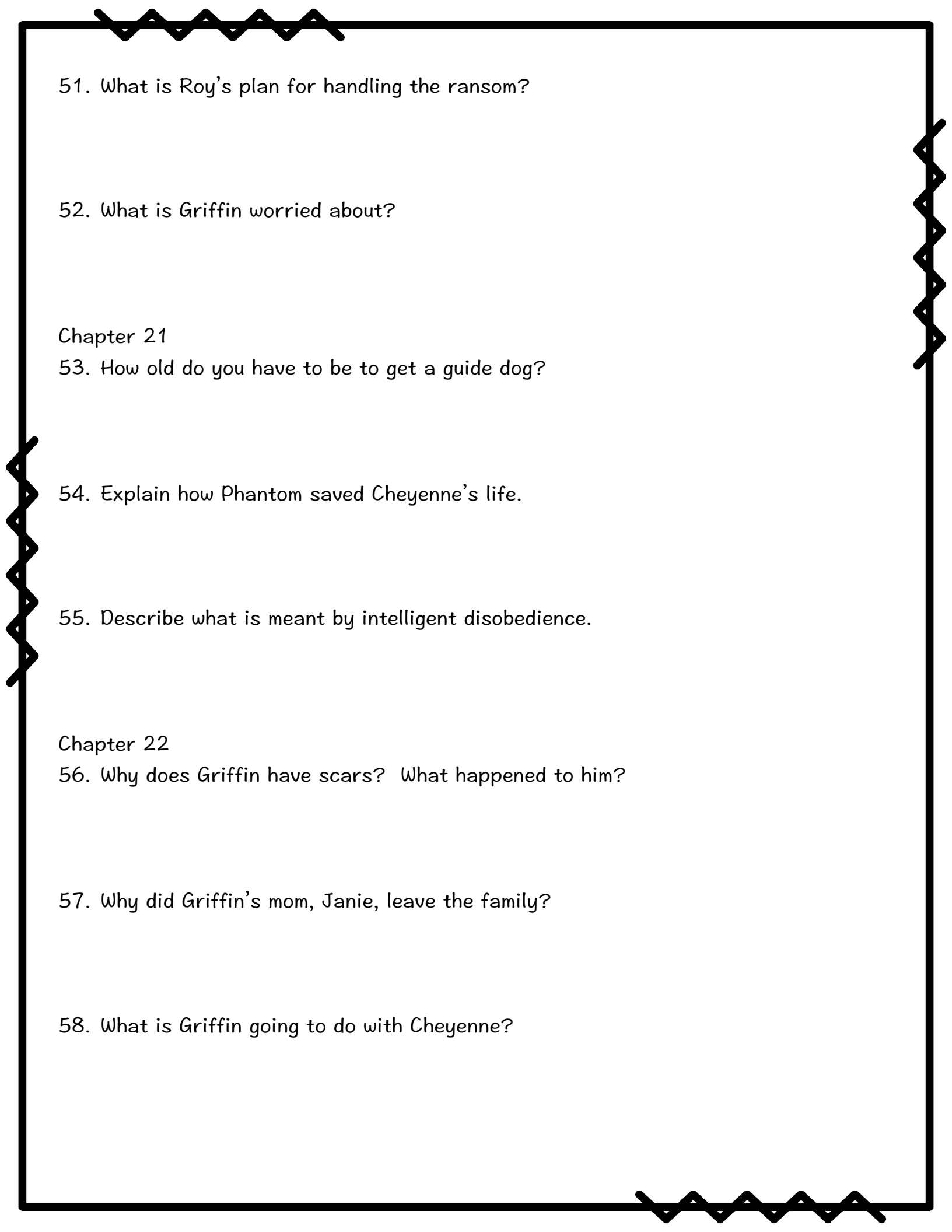
47. What are the two options, in terms of Cheyenne, after Mr. Wilder pays the ransom?

48. Is Cheyenne hopeful she will get out alive? Why?

Chapter 20

49. Were you surprised Roy did not get angry when Griffin mentioned giving his mom's pills to Cheyenne? Why or why not?

50. How much money can the Wilders afford to pay for the ransom?



51. What is Roy's plan for handling the ransom?

52. What is Griffin worried about?

Chapter 21

53. How old do you have to be to get a guide dog?

54. Explain how Phantom saved Cheyenne's life.

55. Describe what is meant by intelligent disobedience.

Chapter 22

56. Why does Griffin have scars? What happened to him?

57. Why did Griffin's mom, Janie, leave the family?

58. What is Griffin going to do with Cheyenne?

59. In your opinion, is Griffin a bad guy? Why or why not?

Chapter 23

60. Cheyenne uses the glass to cut her rope. What does she do next?

Chapter 24

61. Cheyenne doesn't have her cane. What does she decide to use instead?

62. Why do you think Cheyenne is taking Duke with her?

Chapter 25

63. Why does Duke run off and what does this mean for Cheyenne?

64. How does Cheyenne know she is facing east?

65. How is Cheyenne feeling in the woods?

Chapter 26

66. Cheyenne realizes someone is coming after her in the woods. Who is it?

67. Griffin has a big realization. What is it?

68. Who is Griffin thinking about at this point in the novel?

Chapter 27

69. Describe what happened to Griffin physically in the woods.

70. Is Griffin going to be able to continue helping Cheyenne escape?

Chapter 28

71. Who does Griffin hear bickering in the distance?

72. Where's Roy?

73. What is it that T.J. confesses to Griffin about his mom?

74. What happened to Jimbo? Why?

75. How does T.J. leave Griffin?

Chapter 29

76. Who comes chasing after Cheyenne in the woods?

77. What was off about the cop?

78. Make a prediction of what you think is going to happen next.

Chapter 30

79. Cheyenne reaches between the seats and grabs something. What is it?

80. When Roy tries to take the gun from Cheyenne, what happens?

Chapter 31

81. How is Cheyenne planning to get away? How will she accomplish this?

82. What ultimately happens that saves Cheyenne?

83. Why would Cheyenne want them to turn their sirens on one at a time?

84. How did the shard of glass save Cheyenne?

Chapter 32

85. Where is Griffin now?

86. How do Danielle and her dad feel about Griffin?

87. What ended up happening to Duke?

88. Do you think Cheyenne should let Griffin call her again? Why or why not?

89. Is Griffin a bad guy? Why or why not?

90. Did you like this novel? Why or why not?

Answers

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. Cheyenne is blind.
4. Cheyenne Wilder-She is kidnapped while she is sick. She is innocent and blind.
5. Griffin is the guy who stole the Escalade with Cheyenne inside.
6. He saw that the owner of the car left it running,
7. He is shocked, but now he understands why she is looking past him.
8. She wants him to see her face so it reminds him that she is human. She wants it to be more difficult for Griffin to shoot her.
9. Answers will vary
10. Griffin does not actually have a gun.
11. Answers will vary
12. She was killed in an accident.
13. She is Cheyenne's stepmom. She is a nurse.
14. You can use your other senses better and feel different sensations. You pay better attention to the world around you.
15. It has been 20 minutes since a car passed. They are on a winding road. The car had been stolen 45 minutes ago. She was within 6000 square miles.
16. Roy is wearing a black, leather Harley vest with a flannel shirt with torn sleeves. He has tattoos and is muscular. He is chewing tobacco.
17. Stolen cars are stripped of their parts and resold. The skeleton of the car would be destroyed.
18. It is what you can see out of the corner of your eyes. It is not clear. It is 20/200 when normal is 20/20.
19. She might be able to cut her hands and feet apart and or defend herself.
20. It is a vehicle identification number. Each car has its own.
21. Answers will vary-Now she is worth something and she may be in danger.
22. Answers will vary-They're uncomfortable with Cheyenne's blindness.
23. He is planning to ransom her.

Answers

24. Roy is going to ransom Cheyenne and he does not want the police to be able to trace the call back to them.
25. Answers will vary-Cheyenne does not want to seem needy.
26. Answers will vary
27. Answers will vary
28. Their relationship is strained. He's afraid of a beating which implies he has had them before.
29. Answers will vary-This would create a distraction.
30. Danielle, cops, two news vans, and the Channel Three reporter are at the shopping center.
31. She is in Griffin's room.
32. It allows them to know exactly what they need to steal.
33. It is an emergency message sent out when a child is missing so everyone can search for her.
34. You take parts off of a car and abandon what is left. When it is found, police cancel the theft report and the car is auctioned by the insurance. You purchase the parts and then sell the car.
35. She left the family.
36. She was one of Cheyenne's private nurses.
37. She attended a residential school.
38. You tap back and forth with the cane, tapping where your foot lands, and then you tap the opposite side. You can hear the sound and make other determinations about where you are and where you are going.
39. He lost the phone number.
40. Roy wants five million dollars in denominations of 50 or less. The bills are to be unmarked and nonconsecutive bills.
41. Roy may never let Cheyenne go.
42. She prefers talking to someone on the phone because they are equals.

Answers

43. Cheyenne, her mom, and their dog (Spencer) were taking a walk. Two cars were racing, one on the wrong side of the road. A car from the other direction came and one of the racing cars swerved to avoid hitting the oncoming car. He hit Cheyenne throwing her into a speed limit sign where she smashed her head. He ran over Spencer and hit her mom so hard she was knocked out of her shoes.
44. She has a fever and appears sicker than earlier.
45. She is Griffin's mom.
46. They both struggle to read.
47. They would either free her or kill her and hide the body.
48. No because she is the only witness and connection to them.
49. Answers will vary
50. One million dollars
51. At three o'clock in the morning there will be a drop. Mr. Wilder will drive somewhere and pick up a phone with disabled outgoing calls and ditch his personal phone. He will then receive directions to drive to Ironwood Road and drop off the money. They will take the money and leave the bag.
52. Nowhere in Roy's plans is there letting Cheyenne go.
53. You must be 16 years old.
54. Phantom blocked her with his body when a car turned right without stopping.
55. The guide dog listens to a command and then he has to determine if it is safe. If it is not safe he disobeys the command.
56. He was burned when his dad was making drugs (meth).
57. Janie had had enough of the drugs.
58. When everyone goes to pick up the money, Griffin is planning to take Cheyenne and let her go.
59. Answers will vary.
60. She hits Griffin across the head with a wrench.
61. She is going to and finds a car antenna.
62. Answers will vary

Answers

63. Duke saw an animal run out of the bush and he chases after it causing her to be left alone.
64. More light is coming from that direction and the sun rises in the east.
65. She feels alone, cold, and almost hopeless.
66. Griffin is coming after Cheyenne.
67. Everyone is capable of violence.
68. Griffin cares about what is going to happen to Cheyenne and is not worried about himself.
69. Griffin stepped in a hole and broke his ankle.
70. He will not be able to keep helping Cheyenne.
71. T.J. and Jimbo are bickering.
72. Roy is driving the roads looking for Cheyenne.
73. He tells Griffin that they buried his mom in the back underneath a Honda quarter panel. Roy and Janie were fighting and he shoved her. She hit her head on the fireplace. He left her there overnight to teach her a lesson and in the morning she was dead.
74. T.J. shoots Jimbo for calling him stupid.
75. T.J. leaves Griffin with a broken ankle, a bloody backpack, a quarter of a million dollars, two guns, and Jimbo's dead body.
76. A cop comes chasing after Cheyenne.
77. There was something in his voice that was odd. The inside of the car smelled familiar. It had a medicinal smell of peppermint that was overlaying tobacco.
78. Answers will vary
79. She grabs a gun.
80. She pulls the trigger and shoots Roy.
81. Cheyenne is going to drive the car. She will have to listen to the pavement.
82. She hears a phone ring and is able to call 911.
83. She will be able to listen for the sirens and it will allow her to be able to tell the operator which car she hears.

Answers

84. She cut Roy's hand which made him release her. This stopped him from suffocating her.
85. Griffin is now at his Aunt Debby's family in Chicago.
86. They think Griffin is a bad guy and do not care to hear otherwise.
87. Cheyenne begged her parents to hire a trainer to find him in the woods and then train him at the house.
88. Answers will vary
89. Answers will vary
90. Answers will vary