

Basic Info About YOU

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6th Grade English 6th grade Honors English (circle one)

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A. Realistic Fiction

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Basic Info About the BOOK

Book Title and Author

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“Quote”

Select a quote from the book and explain it. It can be a funny line or something that made you truly think. Please include who said the quote and the page (or verse) where it was found.

Rate this book on a scale from 1-5 (5 is the highest!)

1 2 3 4 5

Summary

Summarize the book in your own words. Please don't copy the back of the book or use any source other than your own brain to retell the book. Include information from the beginning, middle, and end of the book. This should be a short paragraph minimum of 8 sentences.

Christian Perspective

As a Christian, how would you respond to the situations presented in this book? Were there things that you know would be disappointing to God? How might you use this book to help someone understand the love and forgiveness that Christ has for them?

Vocabulary

Choose a vocabulary word that is unfamiliar or interesting to you. Write the sentence in which it is found and include the page (or verse). Then write your definition of the word. Don't copy a definition from the dictionary; I want to know what you think the word means even if you end up with the wrong definition – it's all about learning.

Word _____

What YOU Learned

Share something you learned from this book. It might be about what you and someone from the book have in common, your opinion of the events in the story, how it relates to your life, etc. Please don't write that you learned nothing though; stretch your mind to its limits and share your thoughts! This should be fairly short, 2-3 sentences minimum.

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Scruffy by Jack Stoneley

Publisher (company name and location) and Copyright date

Pocket Books, New York, NY, 1979

Sample Summer Reading Assignment

Select a quote from the book and explain it. It can be a funny line or something that made you truly think. Please include who said the quote and the page (or verse) where it was found.

"But the rope held and, at last, exhausted and confused, she flopped down with her chin between her paws and howled." - Scruffy's mom pg 4.

I think this quote shows how desperate the dog was to save herself and her unborn puppies. I could almost hear the sad howl and felt like I wanted to jump into the book and cut her free!

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Scruffy is about a dog who has a very difficult life. She is orphaned at an early age and learns about love and trust through the people and animals she meets. Her adventures include leaving the warm home of a kind couple, being hidden by 2 young girls from their angry parents, caring for a homeless man who performs Shakespeare on the street, and finally joining a gang of stray dogs in a junkyard. She becomes "best friend" to a bulldog named B. She has to hunt for food, survive various weather, people, and other animals. When the dogs are taken to the pound, Scruffy's adventures almost come to an end! At the last minute, she becomes famous by ending up in the newspaper. All the dogs from the street gang are adopted thanks to Scruffy!

Christian Perspective

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Scruffy went through a lot of tough situations. She could have easily chosen the wrong path. Even though I am not a dog I go through hard times too and I try to rely on God. There were several people who may have treated the dogs and each other differently if they had known who Jesus is. I would use the examples from this book to teach others to take care of God's creation (people, animals, and the whole world) and to offer forgiveness as often as possible!

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Word: ventilated

"Full of character - their friendly nature pouring forth through the well-ventilated soles of his tattered shoes. rich and with a little bit of cheese." Pg 66

I think the word ventilated means full of holes. That is based on how the author describes the shoes as being tattered which I know means older and falling apart.

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I loved this book!! I learned that dogs are very trusting and loving and I think I am a lot like that too! I also learned that it is never too late for a second chance.

