



“The Cay”
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Assignment Directions:

- Follow the directions for each section of the assignment.
- You do not need to write the question; simply answer the questions based on the directions.
- The assignment must be typed and printed out.
- You must turn in a *printed copy on the first day of school*. Electronic forms of the assignment will not be accepted.

While AI is a widely accessible tool that can be used to guide students in different areas, this assignment will not allow any use of AI. This is to help students best prepare, as there will be a quiz in the first week of school on the book.

Typing Instructions:

- Times New Roman
- Font size 12
- Double-spaced

Comprehension Questions:

Directions: Answer each question in a complete sentence using proper grammar and punctuation. Each response should be three sentences long and follow the structure outlined below.

Structure:

1st sentence – Restate and answer the question

2nd sentence – Quote text evidence. You must cite the author's last name and page number. *Example: "Curacao was attacked by German submarines in February of 1942," (Smith, 1).*

3rd sentence – Explain or analyze how the evidence supports your answer

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Comprehension Questions (Continued):

1. Explain why Phillip and his family are in Curacao.
2. How did Phillip feel when Timothy left him to explore the island? Explain your answer.
3. Why does Timothy not like Stew Cat? Explain your answer.
4. What does Phillip mean when he says that holding a hand could be like medicine?
5. What happens at the end of Chapter 15? Why doesn't Phillip cry right away?
6. Name three things about Phillip that surprise his rescuers.

Reading Response:

Directions: Answer each question with proper grammar and punctuation. Each answer should be 5 sentences long and follow the structure outlined below.

Structure:

1st sentence - Restate and answer the question

2nd Sentence- Quote text evidence. You must cite the author's last name and page number. *Example: "Curacao was attacked by German submarines in February of 1942," (Smith, 1).*

3rd-5th Sentences- Explain or analyze how the evidence supports your answer.

1. When Philip first meets Timothy, he thinks he is ugly and doesn't give him proper respect. Read 1 Samuel 16:7 and Galatians 3:26-28, what does the Bible say about the way we should treat those who are not like us? Which character did a better job of acting like the verses above?
2. Phillip says he will someday charter a boat to find the island. Why do you think he wants to do this?

Drawing:

Directions: On pages 76-77 of Chapter 11, the author describes the island where they have settled in detail. Draw a depiction of the island based on the descriptions in the text. Your drawing should be on an 8 ½ x 11 white sheet of paper and should use at least 75% of the space; use colors and label the parts of the island.

Grading will be based on quality (neatness, realistic colors, and effort) and content (attention to detail from the text and labels).