



Lawn Boy
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Chapter 1: _____

BEFORE You Read

What was the most unexpected gift that you have ever received? _____ Why was it unexpected? _____
Did you like it? _____ Did you use it? _____

WHILE You Read

Write the page number where you first see each of these words. When you are finished reading, use context clues to match each word to its definition.

☐ economic	a card game
☐ expansion	about how to make and move money
☐ bridge	a rule or truth
☐ throttle	making bigger
☐ principle	control flow of fuel or air
☐ tinker	person who fixes small mechanical problems

AFTER You Read

This chapter is the *exposition* of the book.

exposition = part of book that tells what you need to know to understand the story

Using complete sentences, tell 4 facts you have learned about the main

character. 1) _____ 2) _____

3) _____ 4) _____

How did he react when he received his grandma's birthday present? _____

In your opinion, is this a good gift for him? _____

detail = more information about something

Give 2 *details* to support your opinion: 1) _____

2) _____ Would you have liked this gift? _____

Why? _____

Drag the words to label the parts of this lawn mower.

gas tank **blade** **throttle/pedal** **lever/steering**

What do the rabbit and turtle symbols control?

_____ Why do you think the mower used those 2 icons? _____

_____ Use the internet to find out how much a new riding mower might cost: \$ _____

