



Lawn Boy by Gary Paulsen

Chapter 8: _____

BEFORE You Read

Tell about a time you fainted or saw someone else

faint. _____ Why do you think people faint? _____

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.

☐ initially	never happened before
☐ dramatic	at first
☐ quarterly	make many of one thing
☐ unprecedented	sudden and extreme
☐ commission	every 3 months; 4 times per year
☐ manufacture	of the money you made for someone else, the percent you get to keep

AFTER You Read

What material do people mostly use to make coffins? _____ Why did the stock in the coffin manufacturing company increase in value? _____

_____ Arnold bought L.B. 80 shares in the company for \$.50 per share, so he spent \$ _____. The price of shares went up to \$100.10 per share, L.B.'s shares were now worth 80 shares $\times$ \$ _____ = \$ _____.

Arnold used that money to buy stock in an internet company named Walleye. In your opinion, was this a wise investment? _____ Why? _____

_____ Arnold sold 12,000 shares of Walleye for \$ _____ per share, so L.B. now had \$ _____.

L.B. states, "It was just too much to understand, to believe." What is he talking about? _____

L.B.'s life changed in one instant. He thinks about his life before his meeting and contrasts it to his status now. In the chart, tell what he is thinking about in that moment and what happens.

