



**Lawn Boy**  
by Gary Paulsen

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.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> economic  | a card game                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> expansion | about how to make and move money           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> bridge    | a rule or truth                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> throttle  | making bigger                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> principle | control flow of fuel or air                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 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: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

