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Chapter 3 Summary

Bud is alone in the dark _____ behind the Amoses' house. Frightened, he tries to make out what is inside. He is sure he can see the glowing eyes of three "_____" next to the shed's door knob. In the limited light from the house, Bud is able to see that the creatures are really _____ heads that have been nailed to the wall. He hangs an old _____ over them so they cannot scare him. Bud does not want to lay on the floor—he is sure there are bugs. He recalls a friend who had a cockroach stuck in his _____. Everyone tried to get it out while Bud's friend screamed. Eventually, the people at the Home had to take the boy to the emergency room. This was when Bud's friend, Bug, got his nickname. Bud climbs on the woodpile and entertains himself with shadow _____ he can make in the dim light from the house. Later, the lights in the Amoses house are off. It is even harder to see now. When Bud looks up, he sees an enormous vampire _____ hanging from the ceiling. Bud has no intention of letting a bat get him, so he looks around and decides a nearby _____ will serve as a suitable _____. Referring to Rule 328 ("once you've made up your mind to do something, get to it before you have the chance to talk yourself out of it"), Bud attacks. Bud swings the rake like "Paul Bunyan swinging his axe." He expects to hear howls of rage from his defeated foe. Instead he hears a loud sound like a buzz saw. The first sting in his cheek reveals the

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truth: He has not killed a vampire bat. He has disturbed a very large _____ nest and they are far from happy. While they sting him repeatedly, Bud tries, unsuccessfully, to break down the shed's _____. In a panic, Bud changes direction and crashes through the shed's _____ onto the ground outside, slapping himself and rolling away from his attackers. Stung and sore, Bud becomes furious. He is mad not only at the Amoses but at himself for believing there was a bat in the shed and for getting stuck in such a predicament with no one who cares about him to help him out. With the taste of anger in his mouth and thoughts of revenge in his head, Bud climbs the back steps to enter the Amos _____ once again.

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