



Lawn Boy

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Chapter 7: _____

BEFORE You Read

What is your favorite activity on a rainy day? _____

Describe the perfect rainy day: In the morning, I would _____
Then I would _____ . Finally, I'd _____

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.

<input type="checkbox"/>	operation	use too much or too often
<input type="checkbox"/>	phase	add to; make more
<input type="checkbox"/>	overutilize	a piece of time in something's growth
<input type="checkbox"/>	compound	an organized activity
<input type="checkbox"/>	consideration	something extra that's good
<input type="checkbox"/>	bonus	thinking about carefully; sensitive to others

AFTER You Read

L.B. used to hate summer rain. Now he thinks "rain is beautiful." Why?

Why did his mother say that she's beginning to forget what L.B. looks like? _____ L.B. still thinks of himself as a kid cutting lawns. How has his role in his mowing business changed?

1) _____ 2) _____

Mowing lawns is seasonal work. What does that mean? _____

Name a job that people usually work only during each of the seasons:



Arnold tells L.B. that he is now a boss and must consider his workers. Why is it important to give seasonal workers a bonus at the end of the season? _____

gross income = all the money you take in

net income = all the money you take in **MINUS** your expenses

What is L.B.'s gross income so far this summer? _____ What are some of the expenses he must subtract from that? 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

Arnold suggests L.B. give his workers a 20% bonus. What is 20% (.20) of his gross income? _____ L.B. does not have to do this. Would you? _____ Why?

What %, if any, would you give? _____ %