Lawn Boy

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Chapter 9: ________________________________

BEFORE You Read

Have you ever watched a boxing match? ____ What are three character traits you think a boxer might have? _________ ____________________ Name a famous boxer. (Look it up!) ______________

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.

	Word	Definition
☐	resolve	many people put their resources (money) in one place
☐	gains	find a solution or make a decision
☐	diversify	prize money; money won in a contest
☐	pool	very detailed information
☐	specs	make many different kinds of something
☐	purse	how much more you've made or received; profit

AFTER You Read

Why does Arnold want to talk to L.B.'s parents? 1)__________________;and 2)____________________________. How do you think L.B.'s parents will react? ____________________________. L.B. thinks about different ways he could tell his parents. For example, he could start by saying, "________________," or, "__________________________." How do you think he should tell them about this? ____

Arnold thought he was pooling L.B.'s money with a lot of other people to support a sports team. Instead, what happened? ______________________ What does Arnold do to make up for his mistake? ______________________ L.B. seems unworried about losing money. How does he think about losing his investment? ________________________________ Do you agree with his way of looking at money? ____ Explain. ______________________________

One way Arnold is protecting L.B.'s money is by creating a diversified portfolio. What is a "diversified portfolio"? ____________________________ A diversified portfolio protects the investor's money because when

__________  other______  So if you lose money from one

__________ __________ stock, ______________________

Explain what L.B. would have to do to see the actual money (the cash, the dollar bills) that he has made. ______________________________________

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