

Elements of a Story –Chapter 2

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Grade 9

Literature

The Novel

The Skin I'm In By Sharon G. Flake

Answer all questions in complete sentences.

1. What does Maleeka do to avoid hearing John-John's 'boom-boom' song?

2. What does Ms. Saunders teach? _____

3. Who is referred to as 'that woman'? _____

4a. Identify one conflict in this chapter.

b. What conflict type is it? _____

5. "Young lady", she says to a girl leaning against the wall with a boy sucking on her neck. "Get to class".

a. Who is the speaker in the above quotation and why is she there?

b. To whom is she speaking? _____

c. What does the young lady's response suggest about her personality?

6. Give two (2) reasons why students conclude that the new teacher is "well off"?

7. Why is Maleeka embarrassed of her clothes?

b. Provide 2 pieces of evidence that suggest that the clothes are of poor quality.

8. "If you're so high and mighty, what're you doing in a **dump** like this?"

a. What is referred to as a **dump**? _____

9. How old was Maleeka when her father died? _____

10. How did the death of Maleeka's father affect her mother? _____
