



Lawn Boy
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Chapter 2: _____

BEFORE You Read

If you offered to buy something that your parents could not afford, what would your parents' reaction be? _____

Why? _____

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.

☐ Capitalism	difficult to hurt, strong
☐ market	people control how money is made and moved
☐ admission	how many people want a thing or service
☐ budget	science that studies the stars
☐ astronomy	how much money you plan to make and spend
☐ tough	stating or agreeing that something is true

AFTER You Read

Lawn Boy says that all day his market was expanding. Why does he say that? _____

Give 2 reasons the market for his mowing was expanding. 1) _____
2) _____

profit = how much money you make after you pay for everything you needed to do the job

How much money did Lawn Boy earn for his first mowing job? _____ About how much did he pay for gas? _____ How did he calculate his **profit**?

\$_____ - \$_____ = \$_____. What was his profit? _____

He also wanted to calculate how much money he made per hour. How long did it take him to mow his first lawn? _____ To find out how much he made in an hour, he took his profit and divided it by his time:

\$_____ ÷ _____ = \$_____ per hour.

Lawn Boy pats the mower and says, "Thanks, Grandpa." Why? _____

He **compares** the mower and Grandpa.

compare = tell how 2 things are the same

How might the mower and his Grandpa be the same? _____

_____ In your opinion, can something a person uses all the time start to remind you of the person using it? ____ Give an example to support your opinion. _____