



Goldie Vance #1

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BEFORE YOU READ

Have you ever stayed in a hotel? _____ Describe the perfect hotel, a place where you would love to stay! Include at least 3 details. _____

WHILE YOU READ

Look for these words. Write down the page number where you first see them. When you're finished, use context clues to match them with their meanings.

context clue = information you get by looking all around the word

page _____ priceless

it measures how fast a machine is working

page _____ collateral

so valuable no one can say how much it's worth

page _____ gourmet

a store pays you to leave something there

page _____ traction

how a tire or wheel holds onto a road

page _____ tachometer

someone who loves excellent food

page _____ pawn

a thing you give to someone until you can pay back money you borrowed

AFTER YOU READ

setting = where and when a story happens

Read the ad for the Crossed Palms Resort on page 1. This is the setting for the story. Would you enjoy staying there? _____ Why? Give 3 reasons for your answer. _____

exposition = introduction to a story; gets you ready for the main story

In the exposition, Goldie returns a lost boy to his parents. Tell 2 facts you learn about Goldie from this part of the story. _____

What is Goldie's job at the hotel? _____ Why do you think she also works for Walter for free? _____

conflict = the problem in the story

The main story begins by telling us the conflict. What is the problem that Walter and Goldie must solve? _____

Walter wants to call pawn shops. How will that help them solve the problem? _____

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