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1 Complete the sentences. Unscramble the words in brackets.

- 1 It's a strange conversation. At first, I don't even notice that I am being
 _____ (**m i l b a k c a l d e**).
- 2 I am sitting behind the stage with Martin Addison at the
 _____ (**h r a a e e r s l**) for the school play.
- 3 Then he actually smiles. "My brother Carter is _____ (**y g a**), you know."
- 4 _____ (**m o c g n i t u o**) doesn't frighten me.
 It won't be nice, but I will have to do it sometime.
- 5 "Well, I'm not going to show anyone," Martin says. And then I realize. "Show anyone?" I say.
 "Did you take a _____ (**e s r c e o n s t h**)?"

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2 Read the questions about Chapter One and choose the correct answers (a, b, or c).

- 1 Where are Simon and Martin at the beginning of the story?
 - a On the school bus.
 - b At the rehearsal for the school play.
 - c At lunch at school.
- 2 What does Simon's name "Spier" mean?
 - a The one who knows everything.
 - b The one who watches.
 - c The one who lies.
- 3 How can Martin show everyone Simon's emails?
 - a He took a photo.
 - b He emailed them to himself.
 - c He took a screenshot.
- 4 Martin is blackmailing Simon. What does he want Simon to help him do?
 - a Come out to everyone.
 - b Meet Blue.
 - c Make Abby his girlfriend.
- 5 Who knows that Simon is gay?
 - a no one
 - b Blue
 - c Blue and Martin
- 6 What type of eyes does Nick have when he looks at Abby?
 - a lovely
 - b love-filled
 - c loveable

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3 Complete the sentences from Chapter Two. Use one or two words.

- 1 The thing that makes me really angry is I can't talk to Blue about Martin.
- 2 He wrote feeling alone, and I knew what he meant. It was like he pulled the idea from my head.
- 3 Taylor is the kind of person who asks about your quiz grade she can post it on Facebook.
- 4 I've never heard anyone say anything about it, but I've often thought that Cal be gay.
- 5 Abby and the other black kids spend more time traveling to school each day I do in a week.

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4 For each question choose the correct answer, A (Abby), B (Martin), or C (Cal).

- 1 Who wants Simon's number? A B C
- 2 Who throws their arms around Simon? A B C
- 3 Who is the stage manager? A B C
- 4 Who is waiting for a bus? A B C
- 5 Who does Simon invite to the Halloween party? A B C
- 6 Who says to Simon, "I didn't know you are friends with Martin." A B C

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5 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences from Chapter Three.

- 1 There is nothing **worse** / **better** than Halloween on a Friday.
- 2 It is much **more** / **too** expensive for Abby to get a taxi home.
- 3 Leah is already seventeen so she **can** / **cannot** drive lots of people in her car.
- 4 I am **nearly** / **still** sixteen so I can only drive one person at a time.
- 5 Nora comes in and eats a sandwich with us. Then we **put on** / **take off** our Halloween costumes.

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6 Tick the three sentences that are true about the Halloween party.

- 1 Simon is feeling comfortable at the beginning of the party.
- 2 There is music and lots of laughter with people drinking cans of Coke.
- 3 Simon asks for a beer, which tastes good.
- 4 Leah is driving so she can't drink anyway.
- 5 Nick has an amazing singing voice.
- 6 Martin is wearing rabbit's ears.
- 7 Abby will go with Martin to the Homecoming dance.

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7 Read the sentence below and answer the questions.

On his birthday Simon is talking to Cal. He says, “I think we’re having ice cream—and Oreos.”

1 What are Oreos?

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2 Why does Simon talk about Oreos?

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8 Complete the email from Blue to Jacques. Choose from the phrases (a–g) below.

There is one extra phrase.

You know, I’ve been looking at your email address,¹ They are words from an Elliott Smith song,
² It’s a really nice song and makes me think of you. So I’ve been looking closely at people’s
 T-shirts to see if they have Elliott Smith on them.³ I shouldn’t be trying to find out who you are
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Here’s something interesting. ⁵ It will be just me and him,⁶ Am I crazy?

- a** and I’m actually thinking of coming out to him.
- b** when you don’t know who I am.
- c** and I think I understand it.
- d** What do you think?
- e** My dad’s coming to visit this weekend.
- f** I know that’s not fair.
- g** aren’t they?

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9 Complete the sentences. Use adverbs formed from the words in the box.

sarcastic quick immediate complete heavy quiet sudden

- 1** Most of our test papers are marked with red pen.
- 2** “What did you call her?” asks Martin, appearing at my shoulder.
- 3** I say sorry, very, and move away toward Cal, who is sitting with some older girls.
- 4** I was feeling bad about Abby and Martin, but now I’m feeling better.
- 5** “Really wonderful,” I say,
- 6** Abby pulls her arm away and looks uncomfortable.
- 7** I’m sure that my dad doesn’t know I’m gay because he brought me a book about a love story between two straight people. It stopped me telling him, of course.

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10 Correct these sentences from Chapter Five. The bold words are incorrect.

1 "Hey, Spier, **theirs** something I want to talk to you about," says Martin, suddenly.

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2 "Listen," I say. "Do you **to** want to go with me to Waffle House tomorrow, after school?"

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3 "**Your** amazing, Simon," says Abby. But I'm not. I'm not at all.

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11 Write *yes* or *no* about these sentences from Chapter Six.

1 Abby, Martin, and Simon are often in the Waffle House.

2 Martin normally arrives before Abby and Simon.

3 Martin sits next to Abby because he has forgotten his script.

4 Simon feels like Blue's emails are the most important thing in his life.

5 Leah gave Martin a mix tape for his birthday.

6 Blue plans to come out to his mom tonight.

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12 Complete the conversation between Simon and Abby. Choose the best answers (a-h) below. There are two extra answers.

Simon: Abby, can I tell you something? You can't tell anyone about this. So, the thing is . . . I'm gay.

Abby: 1

Simon: Are you surprised?

Abby: 2

Simon: You knew?

Abby: 3

Simon: But you're not surprised?

Abby: 4

Simon: I don't know.

Abby: 5

Simon: I don't know. Maybe later, yes."

Abby: 6

- a No.
- b Not at all.
- c I don't know what to say to you.
- d Oh, well, I love you.

- e Is this the first time you've told anyone?
- f Can I tell you something?
- g What are you going to do? Are you going to tell people?
- h Do you want me to be surprised?

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13 Complete the text. Choose the correct words from the box (a–d).

1 a must	2 a even	3 a that	4 a when	5 a best	6 a way
b used to	b still	b which	b for	b always	b time
c always	c always	c when	c since	c since	c how
d keep	d yet	d because	d known	d only	d more

I ¹ thinking that I've been with Leah and Nick for the last three evenings and ² haven't told them ³ I am gay. I don't know why. Since I told Abby on Friday, I thought it would be easy to tell them, but it's not. It's impossible. I've known Leah for six years and Nick ⁴ we were four. I've ⁵ known Abby for four months. But this gay thing. It feels really big. It feels impossible. I don't know how to tell them something like this and still feel like Simon. I don't know who I am any ⁶

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14 Complete the text. Choose the correct words. There are two extra words.

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We go back upstairs, and ¹ of the kids have found some desk chairs with wheels. They're pushing ² around. I sit on ³, and Cal Price pushes me fast along the corridor. We race two older girls. His hands hold my shoulders and we're ⁴ laughing. Finally, we come to a stop, and I have to get up. I lift my hand, and Cal takes it in his ⁵ He smiles down at me, and I have to look away from ⁶

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15 Read the answers about Chapter Eight. Write the questions.

- 1 Why
Blue doesn't use Facebook much because he thinks it's the worst type of human conversation.
- 2 Who
Leah and Nick are outside of Simon's door.

3 Why
Simon stares at Leah closely because something in her voice sounds strange.

4 How long
Simon has known Nick since they were four years old.

5 When
After dinner, Simon’s parents put on a film.

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16 Who said these words in Chapter Eight? Write D (Dad), M (Mom), N (Nora), or S (Simon).

- 1 “Open your laptop and go to Creeksecrets.”
- 2 “I’ve reported it to the school. They’ll take it down.”
- 3 “It’s true. I am gay.”
- 4 “Thank you for telling us. We will have to talk through it.”
- 5 “So which girlfriend did it? . . . Turned you gay?”
- 6 “I’m just joking.”

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17 Complete the sentences from Chapter Nine. Write anyone, everyone, someone, or no one.

“I really don’t think ¹ is going to remember,” she says. “It was there for, what? Three or four days? And that was more than a week ago. I don’t think people even read Creeksecrets.”
We walk into school together, and ² is in a hurry to get somewhere.
³ looks at me.
“Where are you going, Spier?” ⁴ says. “McGregor wants a kiss.”
And ⁵ is laughing loudly now. I don’t even know these people. I don’t know why this is funny to them.
In English class, Martin won’t meet my eye. But, all through the day, Abby and Leah are like angry dogs, staring at ⁶ who looks at me.

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18 Read the questions about Chapter Nine. Choose the correct answers (a, b, or c).

- 1 What does Simon think about Bram liking Leah?
 - a He is happy for them.
 - b He is sad.
 - c He is angry.
 - d He is excited for them.

- 2 Why is the rehearsal hard?
- a It's the first one with costumes.
 - b It's the first one without scripts.
 - c Everyone has new lines.
 - d Some important people have left the play.
- 3 Where are the two jocks?
- a At the back of the auditorium.
 - b On the stage.
 - c In the school corridor.
 - d On seats in the auditorium.
- 4 Who chases after the two jocks?
- a Taylor and Abby
 - b Abby and Leah
 - c Taylor and Leah
 - d Ms. Albright
- 5 When did Martin take the screenshots off his computer?
- a This morning.
 - b Yesterday.
 - c A long time ago.
 - d He hasn't taken them off.
- 6 Who cries?
- a Martin
 - b Simon
 - c Martin and Simon
 - d No one

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19 Match the questions with the answers from Chapter Ten. Draw lines between them.

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| 1 When does Cal tell Simon that he's bisexual? | a Angry |
| 2 When does Simon find a green shopping bag hanging on his locker? | b Blue |
| 3 How does Simon feel after he gets the T-shirt? | c Cal |
| 4 Who smiles at Simon? | d Happy |
| 5 How does Simon feel at the rehearsal? | e On Monday |
| 6 Who is Simon in love with? | f On Thursday |
| 7 Who won't tell Simon who he is? | g Someone who isn't real |

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20 Match the words in bold with the definitions. There are two extra definitions.

- 1 I keep the T-shirt under my **pillow**.
- 2 The morning is crazy. Everyone is running everywhere, and the **orchestra** is with us for the first time.
- 3 Taylor is already in costume and has her **makeup** on.
- 4 This is the show I'm excited about because I know that Blue will be in the **audience**.
- 5 The audience laugh and shout and **clap** their hands.
- 6 Ms. Albright says, "And I will go outside now and talk to the audience about **bullying**."

- a All the people who are watching a play or a movie.
- b The part of a theater where the audience sits.
- c When someone tries to frighten another person, sometimes because they are smaller or weaker than them.
- d To hit your hands together to show that you like something.
- e Someone who is afraid to do what they should do when there is a problem or it is dangerous.
- f A soft thing that you put your head on when you are in bed.
- g Special colours that you put on your face to make you look different or more beautiful.
- h A large group of people who play music together.

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21 Put the events from Chapter Eleven in the correct order (1–8).

- a Peter gives Simon a green drink.
- b Leah says, "I got a text from Nick and we're taking you out tonight."
- c Simon goes to the bathroom.
- d Simon falls into a chair next to Abby in front of a cheeseburger and fries.
- e Peter gives Simon an orange drink.
- f Peter asks, "How old are you, Simon?"
- g Peter says "goodbye" to Simon.
- h They go into a gay bar called Webster's.

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22 Tick the three people who Simon sees after the show.

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| Abby <input type="checkbox"/> | Cal <input type="checkbox"/> | Dad <input type="checkbox"/> | Leah <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mom <input type="checkbox"/> | Nick <input type="checkbox"/> | Nora <input type="checkbox"/> | |

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23 Match the words and write the new words or phrases.

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| 1 week | a bye | |
| 2 lap | b end | |
| 3 make | c friend | |
| 4 black | d top | |
| 5 boy | e thing | |
| 6 good | f mail | |
| 7 every | g up | |

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24 Read Blue’s note to Simon. Choose the correct description (a, b, or c).

*I love the way that you smile, like you don't know that you're doing it. I love your untidy hair.
I love the way you look at a person a little bit more than you need to. I love your moon-gray eyes.
So, if you think I don't like you, Simon, you're crazy.*

- a Blue doesn't like Simon because he is crazy.
- b Blue wants Simon to know that he likes him.
- c Simon always looks at people too much.

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25 Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Why I (**not buy**) Ms. Albright a card?
I want to give her something from me.
- 2 Then I notice Abby and Nick sitting (**hold**) hands.
- 3 “If you (**look**) for it to be me, I think you would have guessed it yourself.”
- 4 I thought that Blue (**be**) white.
- 5 “Tell me about your boyfriend,” Mom says. So my sister (**get**) murdered.
- 6 If I (**can**) do it again, I would blackmail you into being my friend,
and be happy with that.

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26 Put the information about Cal and Bram in the correct column. Choose the correct verbs.

has / have blue eyes has / have brown eyes
 has / have the same name as an American president is / are really cute
 gets / get really good quiz marks once pushed Simon down a corridor in a chair

Cal	Both	Bram

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27 Complete the sentences with the *present perfect continuous* forms of the verbs in brackets.

- I (look) at your email address, and I think I understand it.
- We (email) almost every day.
- Then, finally, we get up, and I realize that two people (watch) us.
- “That terrible moment when you learn that you..... (make) jokes in front of your gay kid for years.”
- “I (teach) her guitar for months,” he replies.

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28 Complete the passive form of the sentences.

- At first, I don't even notice that someone is blackmailing me.
 At first, I don't even notice that
- Blue's post was only five lines, but he wrote it very well.
 Blue's post was only five lines, but it
- The teacher will suspend these boys from school for what they have done today.
 These boys
- I see someone putting drums on the stage.
 I see drums

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29 Rewrite the sentences. Choose the correct words to replace the underlined words.

go out with come out go into shut up go on pull up

1 *Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda* is a story about a young gay boy who tells people he is gay at high school.

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2 If Martin and Abby are boyfriend and girlfriend then the problem with Nick and Abby will go away.

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3 I stop then, and turn to look at her and Nick. "What's happening?" I say.

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4 I open my email and suddenly I understand something.

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5 At that moment, I hear a car stop outside.

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6 "No, stop talking." she replies.

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30 Complete these lists. Put the words from the box into the correct categories.

locker gay post screenshot grade straight

Sexuality: bisexual

IT: laptop

School: auditorium

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