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

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How High the Moon is a story about ¹..... and how hard ²..... was for black Americans in the 1940s. It is about a girl named Ella who lives in a small Southern ³..... in 1940s America.

In her town, and in all of the Southern ⁴..... of the United States of America in the 1940s, black people are treated badly by white people because of the ⁵..... of their ⁶..... . Ella's mother is black, but Ella does not know if her ⁷..... is black or white. When Ella visits her mother in the big northern city of Boston, she learns more about herself and the ⁸..... .

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2 Complete the sentences from Chapter One. Unscramble the words in brackets.

“Ella!” my ¹ _____ (**y r n a n g**) shouted after me. “Your shoes! You forgot to put on shoes!”

I was too excited to care. I was finally going to live in Boston with ² _____ (**M m a a**). Mama lived in Boston for work. She was a ³ _____ (**z a z j**) singer. I lived in a small town named Alcolu in South Carolina with my grandparents.

Henry ⁴ _____ (**g d e s h u r g**) his ⁵ _____ (**d s u l o s e h r**) and asked me a question.

“When are you going to Boston?”

I knew that talking about moving to Boston would ⁶ _____ (**p e s u t**) him.

I was ahead of Henry, so I was the first to notice the white boy. I was ⁷ _____ (**v r o s n e u**) because I did not know who he was. I was too ⁸ _____ (**c d e a s r**) to stop walking.

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

- 1 Why does Henry think Ella really wanted to find her daddy?
 - a Because she needed money.
 - b Because she looked different from other black children.
 - c Because she was alone.
- 2 What did Ben Jackson once bring to show the kids in the class?
 - a a zebra
 - b a magazine
 - c a black-and-yellow caterpillar
- 3 Who does Ella look like?
 - a the girl in the magazine
 - b an animal in a zoo
 - c all the children in the class
- 4 What is a zebra?
 - a a person who has only one parent
 - b a person without a daddy
 - c a person who has one white parent and one black parent
- 5 How does Ella say, "I don't look like that zebra!"?
 - a loudly
 - b angrily
 - c meanly
- 6 What was Ben Jackson like?
 - a nice
 - b kind
 - c mean

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4 Read the sentences from Chapter Two. Write the character's name.

- 1 stepped on the caterpillar and killed it.
- 2 stepped in between Henry and Ben. He did not want them to fight.
- 3 gave Ella and Henry some ice cream.
- 4 was jealous because Mrs. Parker called Ella "pretty" a lot.
- 5 was a police officer for the town.
- 6 took the yellow-green-and-black fishing lure from the store, but then he put it back.
- 7 asked Mr. Parker, "Do you have any kites?"

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5 Complete the sentences from Chapter Three. Choose the correct words (a, b, or c) for each gap.

- 1 Every fall, the church had a picnic near the creek. There was music, , and food.
a dance **b** dancer **c** dancing
- 2 My friends Peggy and Loretta ran to me as soon as they saw me.
a up **b** out **c** in
- 3 They wanted to tell me about George Stinney. He everyone that he was “waiting on Myrna to show up.”
a is telling **b** telling **c** was telling
- 4 I looked around and found George
a quick **b** quicker **c** quickly
- 5 George was sitting on a dead tree and looking right me.
a at **b** to **c** through
- 6 I quickly looked away and pretended to be in the food.
a interest **b** interested **c** interesting

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6 Complete the conversation between Myrna and George in Chapter Three. Choose the best answers from the box.

Oh, stop. Me, too! Now? You cook? OK. I loved them.

- Myrna: I was baptized here.
- George: **1**
- Myrna: Do you remember those vegetables that Sister Ellen gave us?
- George: **2**
- Myrna: No, George, no! They were horrible.
- George: Beets are good. I'll cook some for you one day. You'll love them.
- Myrna: **3**
- George: Yes. I love cooking. When I'm older, I want to have my own restaurant. I remember something. I liked hearing you sing at church. Will you sing for me now?
- Myrna: **4**
- George: Just a little bit. You have the nicest voice, Myrna.
- Myrna: **5**
- George: It's true. Please, Myrna?
- Myrna: **6**

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7 Correct the sentences from Chapter Four.

1 The station was very busy. There were a lot of porters saying goodbye to their families.

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2 When I was asleep, the train started to move.

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3 I was sitting in the area for everyone.

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4 Svetlana was not American. She came from England.

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5 Svetlana was different from the white people in my town. She was mean.

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6 The buildings in Boston were shorter than any buildings in Alcolu or even in Charleston.

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7 Mama's apartment was very small and looked a little strange.

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8 Complete the text from Chapter Five. Use the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

I ¹..... (put) the record back in the box, and then I made myself some food.

After that, I ²..... (fall) asleep on the sofa. When I ³.....

(wake up), Mama ⁴..... (stand) over me ⁵..... (smile). I could

hear Helen in the kitchen ⁶..... (listen) to the radio. Mama sat down next to me,

and I ⁷..... (remember) the record I ⁸..... (find) earlier.

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9 In Chapter Five, Ella drinks from the fountain in Boston. Why does she feel that she is doing something wrong?

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10 Tick three things Ella gets for Christmas.

- a beautiful baby doll
- a green apple
- a red diary
- a blue diary
- shoes
- a red lady's hat
- a blue lady's hat
- a black-and-gold Stetson Cavalry hat
- an interesting book about Boston

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11 Read these sentences about Chapter Seven. Write T (true) or F (false) or DS (does not say).

- 1 Ella went to Boston.
- 2 George and Johnnie are brothers.
- 3 George and Johnnie are going to look for flowers.
- 4 Two girls have disappeared.
- 5 Henry thinks that George is a good person.
- 6 Henry's grandpa will want to look for the girls.
- 7 Ben will stop being mean to Henry.
- 8 Henry prays for the two girls.

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12 Complete the text from Chapter Eight. Use one, two, or three words.

I fell ¹..... . When I ²..... , we were at Charleston station.
 I looked ³..... the window, and I saw Granny on the platform waiting
 for me. ⁴..... the train stopped, I ran to her and hugged her. She smelled
⁵..... home. Phillip came to say hello to Granny and goodbye to me.
 I smiled ⁶..... Phillip walked away. I was happy ⁷.....
 I did not ⁸..... see him any more.

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13 Complete the text from Chapter Ten. Choose from the sentences (a–g) below. There is one extra sentence.

I could not stop thinking about George. ¹ but I did not know how to send them to him. ²

They helped me to stay strong.

³ I heard white people talking about George. ⁴ I wanted to shout at them and tell them the truth about George. ⁵

One day, I had to go to the store with Ella and Henry to get some food. Ella was acting strangely, but I did not care. ⁶

- a The letters were really for me.
- b I only cared about George.
- c They were saying horrible things.
- d I wrote him a letter every day.
- e I still believe in him, and I want him to know.
- f He was a good person, and I knew that he did not kill those girls.
- g Every time I left the house,

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14 Answer the questions from Chapter Eleven.

1 What does Mr. Parker give Ella, Henry, and Myrna?

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2 Where does Ella go after she gets home?

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3 Why does Ella not say anything when Mr. Parker says, “What are you doing back here?”

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4 How many boys does Ella see?

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5 Who stops the boys and helps Ella?

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6 How does Ella know the voice?

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15 Match the words in bold with the definitions.

- 1 I went to watch your mama sing at a **jazz** club.
 - 2 Mr. Parker laughed and nodded. "She was a really good singer. I asked her to allow me to make a **record** of her."
 - 3 The court said that George was **guilty** of killing those two girls.
 - 4 We were all **shocked**. We did not understand why the court said that George was guilty.
 - 5 "George didn't have a fair **trial**," Poppy told us.
 - 6 The NAACP traveled around America, helping black people who were in trouble. They talked to the **judge**.
 - 7 Everyone in our town was **upset** about it, but Myrna was the saddest.
 - 8 Henry was so **proud** of his painting, and I was **proud** of Henry.
- a An important person who decides if a person will go to prison or not.
 - b Unhappy about something that has happened.
 - c If someone is this, they have done a crime.
 - d A kind of music. People who play it often do not read any music. They make the music for the first time as they play.
 - e When a judge and other people listen to information about a person who has maybe done a crime. Then, they decide if the person is guilty.
 - f Feeling very happy about something you have done or feeling very happy about something another person has done.
 - g Very surprised because something has happened, usually something bad.
 - h Something made from plastic. It is flat, round, and black. It plays music on a special machine.

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16 Complete the sentences from Chapter Thirteen. Choose one word for each gap.

1 like	2 for	3 Must	4 To speak	5 but	6 that	7 which
right	about	Might	Speaking	so	which	who
same	because	Maybe	Speak	and	who	that

- 1 School was not the without George, but we did our best.
- 2 We all knew that Myrna was still sad George.
- 3 soon Myrna will be happy again.
- 4 to Mr. Parker made me feel happy.
- 5 We did not have much room to move, we still had fun.
- 6 Granny was right. It did not matter my daddy was.
- 7 I had a wonderful family who I loved, and was all that mattered.

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17 Complete the sentences with *me* or *myself*.

- 1 “Don’t worry, Mama,” I said. “I can look after
- 2 I was not sure how I felt about Boston. It was too big and noisy. It felt wild to
- 3 I put the record back in the box, and then I made some food.
- 4 Granny did not want me to leave the house by
- 5 My real daddy was black, but he had light skin, like
- 6 They all knew the truth, and they all lied to
- 7 I had white blood in
- 8 I imagined in the picture, sitting next to Millie.

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18 Write the passive form of the sentences.

- 1 They killed Stinney in 1944, and Parsons wanted to write about him.
Stinney
- 2 They baptized me here.
I
- 3 After they arrested George, things started to change for black people in our town.
After George
- 4 They did not allow George to have any friends or family in the court.
George
- 5 They closed school for a week after George’s death.
School
- 6 Granny filled the plates on the table with meat, biscuits, potatoes, and soup.
The plates on the table

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19 Complete the sentences with the correct words. Use *ful* after or *un* before the words in bold.

- 1 The white boy was sitting in front of a large oak tree. He was about 14 years old, and he had an (**friendly**) look on his face.
- 2 George laughed. “Sorry, Myrna. I need to be more (**care**).”
- 3 The seats in the black area were hard wood and a little (**comfortable**), but I did not care.
- 4 I had a (**wonder**) family who I loved, and that was all that mattered.
- 5 Someone who is upset is (**happy**) about something that has happened.

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20 Complete the sentences with *yet, already, just, or still*.

- 1 I could stay for years. I needed to show Mama that I was an adult now.
- 2 I did not answer any of their questions and started dancing. Henry and Ella were dancing together.
- 3 “Do you see her?” asked Gerald.
“Not, ” I said. I looked around the crowd some more, and then I saw her.
“Mama!”
- 4 It was her record! Mama made it in Charleston when I was in her stomach.
- 5 Mama was so excited to do my hair. I did not care. I wanted her to be happy.
- 6 Mama forgot a lot of things. Christmas was a week away, but we did not have a tree.
- 7 Granny looked sad. She put her hand on my shoulder.
“We don’t know much, but we need to pray for George.”
- 8 “Just ask Granny,” I said. “She’ll tell you about him.”
“Don’t be stupid,” said Ella. “I asked Granny. She doesn’t know anything.”

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