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1 Write Y (yes) or N (no).

- 1 Simon has a lot to write on About That because the students cheat and lie so much.
- 2 Bronwyn Rojas is often in detention.
- 3 Mr Avery found Bronwyn's phone in her bag.
- 4 When the cars crash into each other, Mr Avery looks worried.
- 5 Simon is allergic to peanuts.
- 6 Cooper finds an EpiPen in the nurse's office.

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2 Circle the correct words to complete the post.

I got the idea for ¹ **tricking** / **killing** Simon while I was watching a TV report. A guy's wife was ² **harassing** / **cheating on** him, and he paid someone to kill her. The police found out what he'd done because they could check his ³ **phone calls** / **social media posts**. He could have avoided being found out because a lot of other people hated her, too, but he wasn't clever enough. If you're ⁴ **depressed** / **clever**, you can get away with killing someone who lots of people ⁵ **hate** / **date** because there are plenty of ⁶ **suspects** / **techie geeks**. Everyone at Bayview High hated Simon, but I was clever enough to kill him.

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3 Match the words and write the new words.

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| 1 head | a lashes | |
| 2 birth | b friend | |
| 3 boy | c pack | |
| 4 eye | d nut | |
| 5 home | e ache | |
| 6 loud | f day | |
| 7 pea | g speaker | |
| 8 back | h work | |

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4 Read the conversations and choose the best answers (a, b, or c).

- 1 Bronwyn: Hi, Nate. What's up?
 Nate: **a** I need to tell you this.
b Everything looks terrible.
c I don't have a good reason for being here.
- 2 Officer Budapest: I want to ask you about something, Addy. You were in the nurse's office the day Simon died. Is that right?
 Addy: **a** Yes.
b No.
c Oh, sorry.
- 3 Officer Budapest: We're checking because the nurse says there were always several EpiPens in the office.
 Ashton: **a** You can't possibly believe Addy took them!
b Addy doesn't know what an EpiPen looks like.
c Addy only needed some painkillers.
- 4 Ashton: Is everything OK with Jake?
 Addy: **a** No, it isn't.
b Why wouldn't it be?
c Why do you want to know?

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5 Complete the Tumblr post from 29th September with the missing words.

Why didn't I kill him ¹..... putting a peanut ²..... his sandwich? Well, his sandwiches were always wrapped ³..... tightly. But he was always drinking ⁴..... his water bottle. So, I thought that, if I took his water bottle and he was somewhere ⁵..... there was only tap water, he would drink it. Mr. Avery's detention seemed ⁶..... a good idea. I felt bad watching him die, but I couldn't do anything ⁷..... it. You see, I had taken his EpiPen and the EpiPens ⁸..... the nurse's office.

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6 Correct the sentences.

- 1 Nate goes to Simon's funeral because he wants to.

- 2 Janae, a homecoming princess, reads a weird poem at the funeral.

3 At first, Bronwyn is annoyed her parents are with her when she's asked to go to the police station.

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4 Nate is not a likely scapegoat.

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5 Addy's mum answers her phone all the time.

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7 Complete this list of reasons why Addy says she slept with TJ.

- She was ¹.....
- She was ².....
- She doesn't ³.....

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8 Read the sentences. Write the character's name.

- 1 is Bronwyn's lawyer. Bronwyn's father says she's brilliant.
- 2 is, according to Cooper, the most horrible girl in his group.
She won't talk to Addy.
- 3 gives Cooper some papers. He's made a list of the offers he has from all the colleges he's contacted so Cooper can think about them.
- 4 sends Nate a text saying "R U up?"
- 5 is staying with Addy and her mum, and she makes Addy go to school.
- 6 still won't talk to Addy, and she misses him so much. He's never replied to any of her many texts.
- 7 has lost weight since Simon died, and she looks like she cries in the bathroom as much as Addy does.

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9 Complete the sentences. Use adverbs formed from the adjectives in brackets.

- 1 My lawyer sits opposite my parents and me and says (**warm**), "It's good to meet you, Bronwyn."
- 2 Later, at school, everything is (**weird**) normal, except that I'm looking for Nate.

- 3 I look at Nate (**nervous**).
- 4 (**Sudden**), everyone’s looking at their phones and, before I can look at mine, heads are turning toward me.
- 5 Maeve says, (**angry**), “I bet I could hack into this stupid app and find out who’s doing this.”
- 6 I answer without thinking. “Oh, she wants to wrap herself round me all the time. Like she (**usual**) does.” Then, I feel terrible.
- 7 She smiles (**kind**) and lets go of my hand.

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10 Choose the correct answers and circle the correct words.

- 1 How are Cooper, Nate, Addy, and Bronwyn called to Principal Gupta’s office?
By **Tumblr post** / **announcement on the loudspeaker**.
- 2 Who sounds like they have reason to have a bottle of peanut oil in their backpack?
Hardly anyone / **Most people** in the school.
- 3 What kind of peanut oil causes an allergic reaction?
The expensive cold-pressed kind. / **Any cheap kind.**
- 4 When does Nate call Bronwyn?
He’s been calling every **Monday night** / **Friday night**.
- 5 Who came to live with Cooper when his family moved to this house?
His **aunt** / **grandmother**.
- 6 How long has it taken Bronwyn to use most of her minutes on this phone?
Less than **a week** / **two days**.

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11 Complete the text. Choose the correct words (a, b, or c) for each gap.

I feel ¹..... sad about missing the party, but then I realize something. If I ²..... with Jake, he would have ³..... me wear what he wanted to see me ⁴..... . And, if we’d gone, he ⁵..... when to arrive and when to leave. I’m not missing being ⁶..... .

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| 1 a a bit | b a lot | c not |
| 2 a was | b had been | c of been |
| 3 a make | b made | c making |
| 4 a to wear | b wearing | c worn |
| 5 a would decide | b would had decided | c would have decided |
| 6 a control | b controlling | c controlled |

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

interviews admin cases lizard hacker hug reporters posts tissues

- 1 And Nate's left me a photo of Stan the , too.
- 2 Ashton gives me some and says, "Come on, let's ride bikes."
- 3 They've published photos of the four of us and the About That that Simon wrote about us.
- 4 There are and news vans outside school when I get there.
- 5 Chad Posner finds me at the end of the day and tells me that lots of students are giving
- 6 Their lawyers take for people who can't afford to pay them.
- 7 "I'm not mad," I manage to say, but I don't move quick enough to her before she runs off.

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13 Answer the questions about Chapter Eight.

- 1 Who was on the evening news?
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- 2 Why can Addy hear Janae in the bathroom?
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- 3 Why does Addy have a lot of time?
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- 4 Addy tells Janae that she's used a lot of tissues recently. What does she mean by this?
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- 5 How does Addy make the hairdresser cut her hair short?
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14 Complete this list of unkind advice for MR from Chapter Nine.

- Don't
- Don't
- Don't

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15 Complete the conversation between Addy and Jake from Chapter Nine. Choose the best answers from the box.

It would be nice if you stopped hating me, Jake.	Why did you invite me here?
That doesn't mean he was a great guy.	I guess I'll see you around.
Bronwyn's sister thinks people should be looking at Simon more.	

Jake: So the police still don't know what happened.
 Addy: **1**

Jake: Why Simon? He's dead.
 Addy: Because the police might find suspects they haven't thought about—other people who had reasons for hating him.
 Jake: So they're saying Simon is the cause of all this? If people hadn't done horrible things, he wouldn't have started About That. You know that, Addy.
 Addy: **2**

Jake: I didn't invite you here to argue with me.
 Addy: **3**

Jake: Maybe I'm still worried about you. And I ought to know what's going on. I keep getting calls from reporters.
 Addy: **4**

Jake: How can I? You cheated on me and lied about it, Addy. You're not who I thought you were.
 Addy: **5**

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16 Read the text about Cooper. Write T (true), F (false), or DS (does not say) next to the sentences (1–6) below.

I was sure, when the police were preparing to show me the unpublished About That posts, that I was going to read something about Kris and me. I've been worried since last spring at junior prom that Simon guessed I was gay. Once, when we were in the bathroom at a party, he put his arm round me and pulled me really close to him. He'd never had a girlfriend as far as I knew, and I wondered if he was trying to find out if I was gay. I was so worried that I got Vanessa to tell Simon he couldn't come to her after-prom party.

- 1** All the posts on About That have been published.
- 2** Cooper is gay.
- 3** Simon knew that Cooper was gay.
- 4** Simon was gay.
- 5** Cooper didn't want Simon to go to Vanessa's party.
- 6** Vanessa's party was before the school prom.

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17 After Cooper’s police interview in Chapter Eleven, he has to tell his parents he is gay. He says to himself, “A couple of words are going to make everything in my life Before and After.” Why does he say this?

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18 Match the people with their actions from Chapter Twelve. Draw lines between them.

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| 1 Mikhail Powers | a want to talk to Cooper, and he tries to ignore them. |
| 2 Maeve | b tells Cooper, “Things will get better.” |
| 3 Nate | c is really angry that Cooper was outed as gay because of the way the police questioned students at school. |
| 4 Reporters | d watch the game, but they don’t talk to Cooper afterward. |
| 5 A couple of scouts | e thinks the police should consider that there might be other people who wanted Simon dead. |
| 6 Nonny | f is arrested and led away from his house. |
| 7 Eli Kleinfelter | g is white-faced and shaking. |

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19 Answer the questions. Use one, two or three words.

- 1 Where does Bronwyn sit in Eli’s small office?
- 2 When did Bronwyn tell her mother about her and Nate?
- 3 What did the police find in Nate’s room at his house?
- 4 Is Nate’s house usually locked?
- 5 Where do the police want to move Nate to?
- 6 Who did Addy tell about the plate of cookies?

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20 Answer the questions. Choose numbers from the box. There are two extra numbers.

two three four five seven seventeen eighteen a thousand

- 1 “Mom,” Ashton says, “Addy is She doesn’t need to — ”
- 2 Addy looks upset, but Ashton says, “It’s true, Addy. He planned your whole life for years. Then, as soon as you did something he didn’t like, he got really, really mad.”
- 3 “All the attention has been on you because you were in the room. And it would be almost impossible for anyone who wasn’t in the room to kill Simon. Right?”
- 4 Simon paid kids to have a car accident.
- 5 “Me and a friend,” Sam says. “We had the accident because a guy paid us dollars each to do it. He said it was a joke.”
- 6 When you’ve been arrested for a capital offense and you’re nearly , it’s good that time passes slowly.

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21 List seven pieces of advice Nate has about managing life in jail in Chapter Fourteen.

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- b
- c
- d
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- f
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22 Complete Simon’s message. Choose one word for each gap.

Here’s the first thing you need to know: I hated my life, so I decided to finish it. But not ¹..... quietly. I thought a lot about it. I ²..... buy a gun, and I could shoot all the assholes in school and then shoot ³.....

But I want to be different. I want to be talked ⁴..... for years. I want people to try to copy me—but fail because planning this is ⁵..... difficult for other depressed losers.

You’ve been watching ⁶..... happening for a year. If it’s gone the way I hope, you still don’t know what actually happened.

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| 1 going | go | to go | 2 could | would | should |
| 3 I | me | myself | 4 about | around | on |
| 5 to | too | two | 6 that’s | what’s | which is |

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

- 1 What does Addy remember?
 - a That Jake gave her a new phone.
 - b That Jake took her phone.
 - c That Jake carried her bag.
- 2 When are the letters supposed to go the police?
 - a In a year, after everyone’s lives are ruined.
 - b When the four are in jail.
 - c When Simon dies.
- 3 Why did Simon hate Nate?
 - a Nate sold drugs.
 - b Nate took Keely away from him.
 - c Nate told him the wrong date for applying to the Model UN.
- 4 How did Simon get on the prom court?
 - a He got the most votes.
 - b He changed the votes.
 - c He wasn’t on the prom court.
- 5 Why did Jake make Simon change the post about Cooper being gay?
 - a Because it wasn’t true.
 - b Because Jake wanted to protect Cooper.
 - c Because Jake didn’t want anyone to know he had a gay best friend.
- 6 Where was Janae supposed to leave the EpiPens and the computer?
 - a in Nate’s house
 - b in Addy’s house
 - c in Cooper’s house

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24 Write something about what everyone is doing at the end of the story.

- 1 Nate
- 2 Addy
- 3 Bronwyn
- 4 Cooper
- 5 Jake
- 6 Ashton and Eli Kleinfelter
- 7 Nate's dad
- 8 Nate's mom

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

- 1 He only wants to see the best in me. If that ever (**change**), I don't know what I would do.
- 2 So, I thought that, if I (**take**) his water bottle and he was somewhere where there was only tap water, he would drink it.
- 3 If I (**be**) with Jake, he would have made me wear what he wanted to see me wearing.
- 4 If somebody (**ask**) me before all this started, I would have said that Nate was the obvious suspect for any crime at Bayview.
- 5 If help (**come**) in time, maybe he would have become a different kind of guy.

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26 Match the two parts of the sentences.

- 1 Simon really wanted to date Keely, but
- 2 Everyone read it, and I think
- 3 Pop didn't ask me if
- 4 I suspected for years that I was gay, but
- 5 Janae tells me
- 6 Jake had made Simon change the post about Cooper so

- a it was all going the way Simon planned.
- b it wasn't until I met Kris that I knew I could feel like this about a guy.
- c it was the first time anyone at Bayview noticed Simon.
- d it was never going to work.
- e it wasn't about Cooper being gay.
- f it was true that I'd taken drugs to improve my game.

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27 Change the direct questions into reported questions.

1 I stop feeling pleased when Mr. O’Farrell asks me, “would you like to talk to a group of younger students?”

I stop feeling pleased when Mr. O’Farrell asks me whether

2 I ask Leah, “Are you going to the service?”

I ask Leah if

3 I stop near some cheap stores, go into a hairdresser’s, and ask, “Can you cut my hair?”

I stop near some cheap stores, go into a hairdresser’s, and ask if

4 Eli asks, “Why aren’t the police checking whether other people had reasons to hate Simon?”

Eli asks why

5 The detective asks me, “Do you know about another site Simon had where he wrote longer posts?”

The detective asks me if

6 The detective asks me, “Did you hate Simon for writing it?”

The detective asks me if

7 I ask my mum, “Have you got the money to pay for the meal?”, and she gets upset.

I ask my mum if, and she gets upset.

8 I get very nervous when the detective asks me, “Do you want your father in the room?”

I get very nervous when the detective asks me if

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

freshman link screen criminal prom evidence locker thread investigation

Police: probation suspect

School: coach detention

Computers: forum post

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29 Rewrite the sentences. Choose the correct phrasal verbs to replace the underlined words. Use the correct tense.

sleep together go out with hook up with hang out with cheat on break up

1 Jake and I had sex the first time just after junior prom.

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2 A guy's wife was having sex with someone else, and he paid someone to kill her.

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3 I end my relationship with Keely at her house because it's private.

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4 "I kissed Nate at Luis's party at the end of junior year."

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5 But I guess I know now that no one I spent time with really cared about me.

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6 I still think about Nate all the time, but I'm in a relationship with Evan, a guy from Math Club, now.

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30 Read the definitions. Choose the correct words from the box. There are two extra words.

stereotype showcase control freak homecoming prom capital offense social media

- 1 a person who tries to make things happen in the way that they want and does not let other people make decisions
- 2 websites like Facebook, Twitter and Tumblr; you post messages, photos, and videos on them, and your friends can see your posts
- 3 a special event at schools and universities in the USA; people who have left the school or university return for a party and an American football game
- 4 a certain idea that people have about what a type of person or thing is like; they are often wrong
- 5 a crime that can be punished by death

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