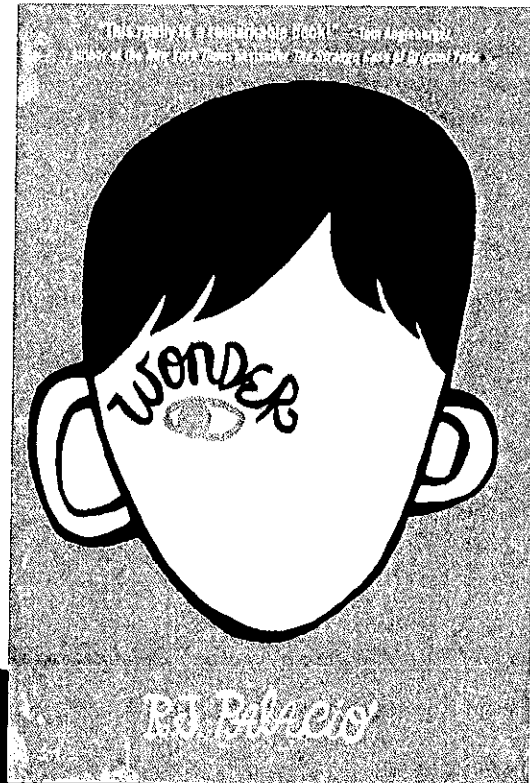


WONDER

By
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Novel Study



Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Ordinary

1. If you found a magic lamp and could have one wish, what would you wish for?

2. What would August's one wish be?

3. August says, "The only reason I'm not ordinary is because no one else sees me that way." Explain this statement.

4. How do August's mom and dad view him?

Why I Didn't Go to School

1. Explain why August has not been to school.

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

How I Came to Life

1. What does the expression, "a walk in the park" mean?

2. Why was the night August came to life so funny?

3. Research cleft Palate. What does it mean?

Christopher's House

1. Do you think Auggie should go to school? Why or why not?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Driving

1. How do you think Auggie feels when his parents tell him about touring a school?

2. After joking about Mr. Tushman's name, how does Auggie's feelings toward going to school change? How do you know?

Paging Mr. Tushman

1. Why was Auggie upset when he first visited the school?

Nice Mrs. Garcia

1. What happened that Auggie has seen happen a million times before?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Jack Will, Julian, & Charlotte

1. Why did Auggie grow his hair long last year?

2. Why was music Auggie's least favorite subject in school?

The Grand Tour

1. What two questions did Auggie ask during the grand tour?

The Performance Space

1. How can Auggie sometimes tell when someone is staring at him?

2. How do you think Auggie feels about Julian now that they have visited the performance space?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

The Deal

1. How do you think Auggie felt throughout the entire tour of Beecher Prep? How do you know?

Home

1. Explain why Auggie felt a little happy and a little sad at the same time when he got home.

2. How have Auggie's feelings towards school changed? How do you know?

3. How does Auggie's mom feel about taking him to Beecher Prep?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

First-Day Jitters

1. What is a simile?

Explain this simile: I was so nervous that the butterflies in my stomach were more like pigeons flying around in my insides. What does this tell you about how Auggie is feeling?

Locks

1. Why did Auggie not offer to help Henry?

Around the Room

1. What two things does Julian share about himself?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Lamb to the Slaughter

1. What does *lamb to the slaughter* mean?

2. What second question did Julian ask Auggie? Do you think he was being mean?

Choose Kind

1. What is a precept?

2. What is Mr. Browne's September Precept?

3. Explain Mr. Browne's September Precept.

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Lunch

1. Why does Auggie hate the way he eats?

2. What does Auggie compare the way he eats to?

The Summer Table

1. How do you think the "summer table" made Auggie feel?

2. How did Summer treat Auggie during lunch?

3. Did the way Summer treated Auggie surprise you? Why or why not?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

One to Ten

1. On a scale of one to ten, how was Auggie's first day of school for him?

2. What did Auggie compare his friendship with Summer to?

Padawan

1. Why do you think Auggie cut off his padawan?

2. Why do you think Auggie all the sudden started to cry?

Wake Me Up When September Ends

1. How long did it take all of the kids at Beecher Prep to get used to Auggie's face?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Jack Will

1. What did Jack Will think that Auggie should do when kids stared at him?

2. What made Auggie and Jack laugh so hard that the teacher switched their seats?

Mr. Browne's October Precept

1. What was Mr. Browne's precept for October? What does it mean?

2. Auggie wrote, "*Your deeds are like your monuments. Built with memories instead of stone.*" What does he mean by this?

3. Do you think Auggie can relate to the precept? If so, how?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Apples

1. Explain why this chapter is titled *Apples*.

Halloween

1. What does Summer want to be for Halloween?

2. What does Summer like best about Auggie?

School Pictures

1. What does the word *aversion* mean?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

The Cheese Touch

1. What was Ximena Chin's reaction when she was told she had to be Auggie's dance partner in dance class?

2. What does Auggie mean when he says, "I'm the old moldy cheese?"

Costumes

1. Why does Auggie like Halloween so much?

The Bleeding Scream

1. Why did the mummies and Darth Sidious keep talking when Auggie sat down near them?

2. Why did Auggie want to crawl into a little black hole that would eat him up?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Names

1. How was Auggie able to get out of class and go home?

2. Why is Auggie pretty sure that he will never attend school again.

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

A Tour of the Galaxy

1. What does Via compare their family to? Explain the comparison and why Via feels this way?

2. Why do Via's mom and dad say that she is the most understanding little girl in the whole world?

Before August

1. What was the first thing that Via said about Auggie?

Seeing August

1. What feeling does Via experience when she comes home from her grandmothers and sees Auggie for the first time in four weeks?

2. What does Via mean when she says, "I held on to that secret and let it cover me like a blanket."

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

August Through the Peephole

1. In this chapter Via tells us details about August. Describe him.

2. Via thinks the family has spent so much time making Auggie think he is normal that he actually thinks he is normal. Do you think this true?

High School

1. What did Via love most about middle school?

2. In what way does Via not want to be defined?

Major Tom

1. How does Miranda come back to school?

2. Why does Via's voice quiver as she says, "See you later:"

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

After School

1. What lie did Via tell her mom?

The Padawan Bites the Dust

1. Why do you think Via gets so upset when Auggie cuts off his Padawan?

An Apparition at the Door

1. Why do you think Auggie's mom was standing outside of his door with her forehead leaning against the door?

2. Do you think Via's mom has ever stood outside of her door that way? Why or why not?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Breakfast

1. What reason does Dad give for why Via is old enough to ride the subway home from school?

Genetics 101

1. Explain what "made war" on August's face means.

The Punnett Square

1. Explain why Via does not want to have a children.

Out With the Old

1. Who had Via now become friends with? Who did she have an instant crush on?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

October 31

1. Why did Mom allow Via to stay home from school?

2. Were you surprised that August actually threw up when he got home from school?

Trick or Treat

1. Why did Auggie think that Jack pretended to be his friend?

2. What did Via convince Auggie to do?

Time to Think

1. Why do you think Auggie decided to go back to school?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Weird Kids

1. What is Summer's response when people ask her why she hangs out with the "freak" so much?

2. What nickname had everyone at Beecher Prep given August?

The Plague

1. Why does Summer keep sitting down with August at lunch?

2. What is "the plague"?

The Halloween Party

1. Why did Summer call her mom from the party and ask her to pick her up early?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

November

1. Why could Summer not be upset for long after Auggie accused her of being friends with him only because Mr. Tushman told her to?

Warning: This Kid is Rated R

1. How did Summer's mom react to August even after Summer had warned her?

2. What is the main thing that August has that causes him to look the way he does?

The Egyptian Tomb

1. What did August and Summer dress up as for the Egyptian museum?

2. Do you think it was right for Summer to whisper, "bleeding scream" in Jack's ear? Explain why or why not.

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

The Call

1. Why did Mr. Tushman call Jack's house?

2. At first, did Jack want to be a 'welcome buddy' to August?

Carvel

1. What does Veronica mean when she tells Jack, "Sometimes you don't have to mean to hurt someone to hurt someone"?

2. Why was it hard for Jack to act normal when he saw August?

Why I Changed My Mind

1. What does sympathetic mean? Why wasn't Jamie being sympathetic?

2. Why did Jack change his mind?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Four Things

1. What were the four reasons why Jack liked August?

Ex-Friends

1. Why is it bad that Jack can hang out with whoever he wants?

Snow

1. How was Jack feeling on his first day back to school after the snow?

2. Why do you think Jack was feeling this way?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Fortune Favors the Bold

1. What writing assignment did Mr. Browne give to the class?

2. What did Jack want to write about? Why did he choose not to?

Private School

1. Why did Jack want to get away from Julian and Miles so quickly?

In Science

1. What did Jack realize when he was in science class?

2. Once he realized this, how did he feel?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Partners

1. What did Julian try to do when Jack was assigned to be August's partner?

2. Why did Jack punch Julian right in the mouth?

Detention

1. Why do you think Jack didn't want to tell Mr. Tushman why he punched Julian?

Season's Greetings

1. What did Julian's mom do to the class picture?

2. How do you think Jack's mom felt when he told her everything about why punched Julian?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Letter, Emails, Facebook, Texts

1. Does Julian's mom's reaction to the whole situation surprise you? Why or why not?

Back From Winter Break

1. What happened to Jack when he came back to school after winter break?

2. How did being at a lunch table by himself make Jack feel?

The War

1. What did Charlotte tell Jack in room 301 after school?

Switching Tables

1. Who asked Jack to sit with them at lunch after other boys had left his table?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Why I Didn't Sit With August the First Day of School

1. What is a hypocrite? Why was Jack a hypocrite?

2. Why did Auggie say, "Ya think? Welcome to my world!"

Sides

1. Who was on Jack's side?

2. What made Jack, Summer, and Auggie totally crack up?

August's House

1. Why was Jack worried when he went to August's House for the first time?

The Boyfriend

1. What did Via's boyfriend say that made Auggie want to laugh?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Olivia's Brother

1. Why did Justin tell Auggie that he had a cool room?

1. What makes Justin think that Olivia believes him when he says he wasn't freaked out or scared by Auggie?

Valentine's Day

1. What does Olivia want to be when she grows up?

Our Town

1. Why wasn't Olivia all that upset when she didn't get the female lead in the play?

Ladybug

1. What do you think Olivia wished for?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

The Bus Stop

1. What does Justin do the next time he sees Julian and the other boys?

Rehearsal

1. Why do you think Justin lies when Miranda asks if Via told him that they used to be friends?

Bird

1. Why does Olivia think she is an awful person?

2. Why does Olivia remind Justin of a bird?

The Universe

1. What does Justin mean when he says, "The universe takes care of all its birds."

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

North Pole

1. Why does Auggie compare himself to the North Pole?

The Auggie Doll

1. What joke did Auggie tell Maya? How did Maya respond?

Lobot

1. Why did the doctor have to put Auggie's hearing aids on a headband?

2. Once the doctor turned on Auggie's hearing aids do you think he felt differently about them?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Hearing Brightly

1. What did Auggie expect would happen when he first showed up at school with his hearing aids?

2. What actually happened when he showed up at school with hearing aids?

Via's Secret

1. How did mom react to Via's secret?

My Cave

1. Why did Auggie get really upset?

Goodbye

1. Who did Auggie have to say goodbye to?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Daisy's Toys

1. What did Auggie and Via do with all of Daisy's toys?

2. How did Auggie fall asleep the night that Daisy died?

Heaven

1. What does mom mean when she says, "You don't need your eyes to love?"

2. What does Auggie wonder about Heaven?

3. Why do you think Auggie missed Daisy so much?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Understudy

1. Who ended up playing the part of Emily in the play?

2. Why do you think Via decided to let Auggie come to her high school play?

The Ending

1. Who found Auggie when he was lost in the crowd?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Camp Lies

1. What did Miranda blurt out at camp?

2. Why do you think Miranda told this lie at camp?

3. Why did Miranda not call Via when she got home from camp?

School

1. What really annoyed Miranda? Why do you think it annoyed her so much?

2. Why did Mr. Davenport change the play from *The Elephant Man* to *Our Town*?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

What I Miss Most

1. What does Miranda miss most about Via's friendship?

Extraordinary, But No One There to See

1. Why do you think Miranda wanted Via to play the part of Emily in the play?

The Performance

1. When was the only time Miranda felt a little bit of regret for letting Via have the part?

After the Show

1. Why do you think, for the first time in a very long time, Miranda felt absolutely happy?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

The Fifth-Grade Nature Retreat

1. Why is Auggie a little nervous about the fifth grade nature retreat?

Known For

1. What does Auggie mean when he says, "In middle school you kind of get known for what you're into, and you have to be careful about stuff like that."

2. What does Auggie know he's really known for in middle school?

Packing

1. What did Auggie pack at the bottom of his sleeping bag to comfort him if he couldn't sleep?

2. How do you think Mom felt about Auggie going away on the nature retreat?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Daybreak

1. Why did Daisy's ghost make Auggie feel super strong?

2. What did Auggie do with Baboo? Why do you think he did this?

Day One

1. Describe Auggie's first day at the nature retreat.

The Fairgrounds

1. How does Auggie describe the way it looked when the sun set.

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Be Kind to Nature

1. What movie was played at Movie Night? Why was Auggie excited about this movie?

The Woods Are Alive

1. What did Jack and Auggie smell when they went into the woods?

Alien

1. Who came to help Auggie and Jack when Eddie and his friends were being mean to them?

2. *Amos ran into the Eddie guy like a monster truck and they both fell down to the ground. What type of figurative language is this an example of? How does it make this scene more descriptive and interesting?*

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Voices in the Dark

1. Why did Auggie feel like he was underwater?

The Emperor's Guard

1. Why do you think Auggie didn't want to report the boys? What would you have done?

2. How did not having his hearing aid make Auggie feel?

Sleep

1. Explain why Auggie finally understood the saying *like a lamb to the slaughter*.

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Aftermath

1. Why did Auggie think might have happened to his hearing aids?

2. What did some of the kids who normally don't talk to Auggie do?

Home

1. Do you think that Auggie's mom is right when she says that there are more good people on this earth than bad people, and the good people watch out for each other? Explain.

2. What did Dad and Via bring home with them?

Bear

1. Why did Auggie want to call the dog Bear?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

The Shift

1. Explain the shift that had happened. Was it a good shift?

Ducks

1. Why did Mr. Tushman think that Auggie had drawn himself as a duck?

2. Why had Auggie actually drawn himself as a duck? Why did this make Mr. Tushman laugh?

The Last Precept

1. What was Mr. Browne's last precept?

2. What did Mr. Browne ask the students to do during their summer vacation?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

The Drop-Off

1. Why did Auggie's dad throw out his astronaut helmet?

Take Your Seats, Everyone

1. What did Auggie realize about Jack and Summer?

A Simple Thing

1. What does the line, *everyone should be little kinder than necessary*, that Mr. Tushman read in his speech mean?

2. What does Mr. Tushman think that everyone should do to make the world a better place?

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Awards

1. Why was Auggie so happy for Summer?

2. What is the Henry Ward Beecher award? Who won this award?

Floating

1. What is all that Auggie saw as he walked up the aisle to the stage to accept his award?

2. What did the audience do when Auggie went up to accept his award?

3. Do you think Auggie deserved this award? Explain why or why not.

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Name: _____

Pictures

1. How did Auggie feel when everyone was taking pictures with him?

The Walk Home

1. What do you think Auggie's mom was thinking about when they walked home after the graduation reception?

2. What did Auggie's mom thank Auggie for?

3. What do you think Auggie's mom meant when she told him he really is a wonder?

4. Is Auggie glad that his mom made him go to school? How has his life changed because of this decision?

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Wonder

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Wonder Vocabulary

Word: _____

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Physical Characteristics:

Personality Characteristics:

Character Study

August

Draw a picture to represent this character.

Character's Emotions:

How does this character change throughout the novel?

Beginning:

End:

Name: _____

Physical Characteristics:

Personality Characteristics:

Character Study

Via

Draw a picture to represent this character.

Character's Emotions:

How does this character change throughout the novel?

Beginning:

End:

Name: _____

Physical Characteristics:

Personality Characteristics:

Character Study

Jack

Draw a picture to represent this character.

Character's Emotions:

How does this character change throughout the novel?

Beginning:

End:

Name: _____

Physical Characteristics:

Personality Characteristics:

Character Study

Julian

Draw a picture to represent this character.

Character's Emotions:

How does this character change throughout the novel?

Beginning:

End:

Name: _____

Physical Characteristics:

Personality Characteristics:

Character Study

Miranda

Draw a picture to represent
this character.

Character's Emotions:

How does this character change throughout the novel?

Beginning:

End:

Name: _____

Physical Characteristics:

Personality Characteristics:

Character Study

Summer

Draw a picture to represent this character.

Character's Emotions:

How does this character change throughout the novel?

Beginning:

End:

Name: _____

Physical Characteristics:

Personality Characteristics:

Character Study

Name of Character

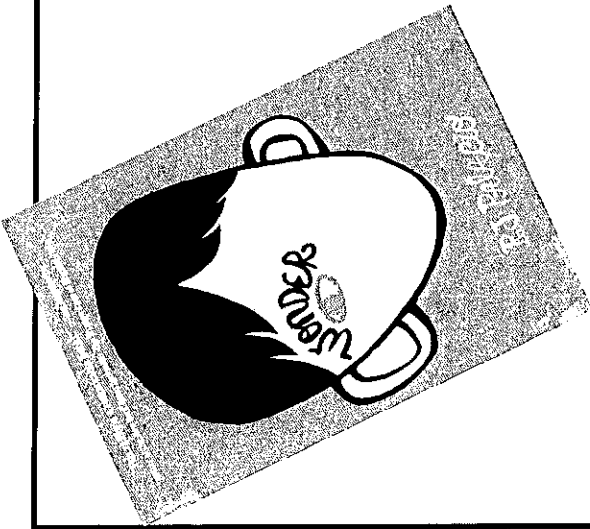
Draw a picture to represent this character.

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How does this character change throughout the novel?

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Plot Diagram

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Rising Action:

Falling Action:

Resolution:

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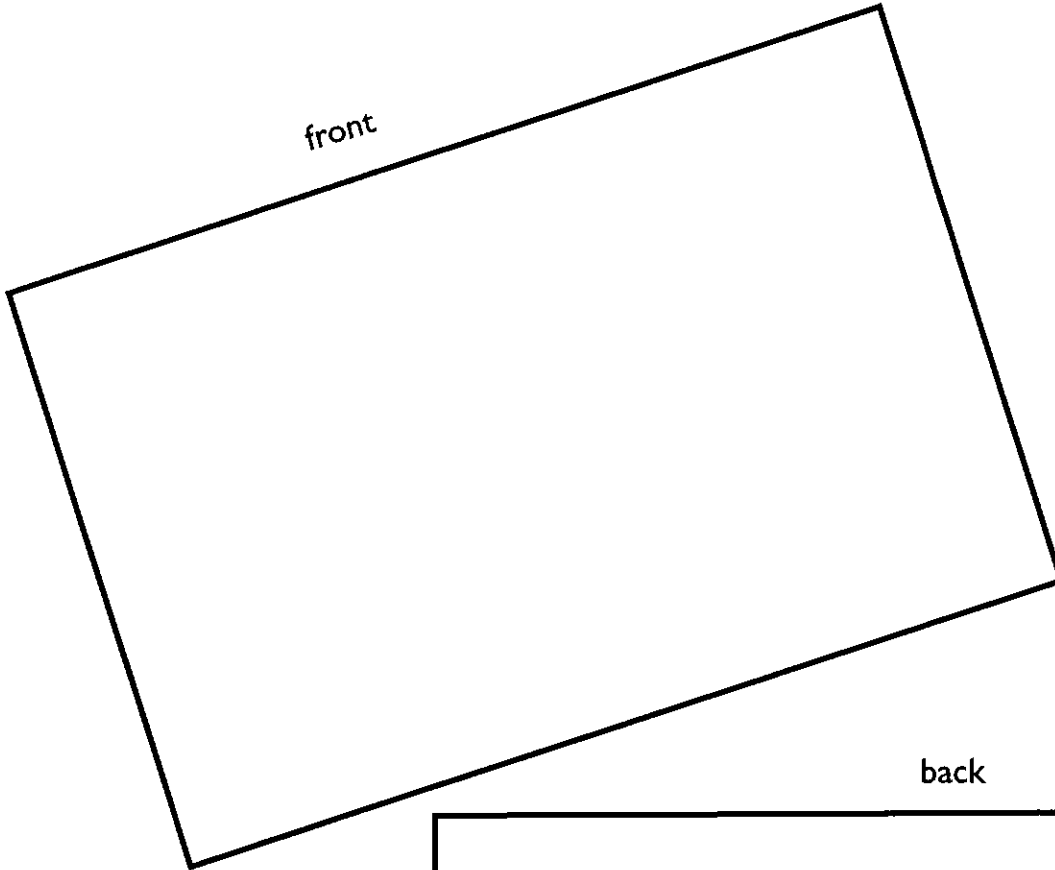
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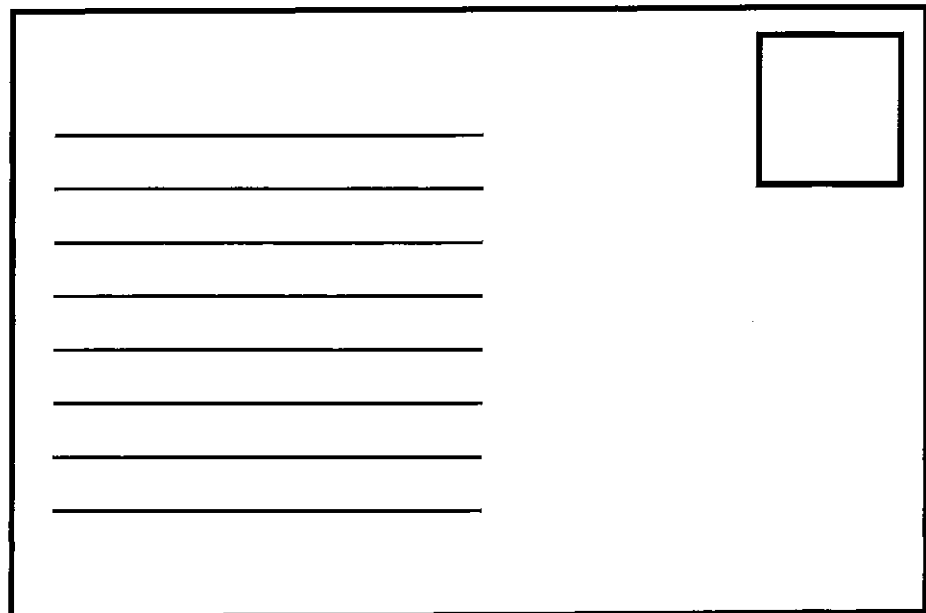
Mr. Browne's Assignment

Please send me a postcard this summer with YOUR personal precept. It can be something you made up for yourself or something you've read somewhere that means something to you. (If so, don't forget the attribution, please!) I really look forward to getting them.

Pretend you are in Mr. Browne's class. Write your own precept on the post card below. Decorate the front.

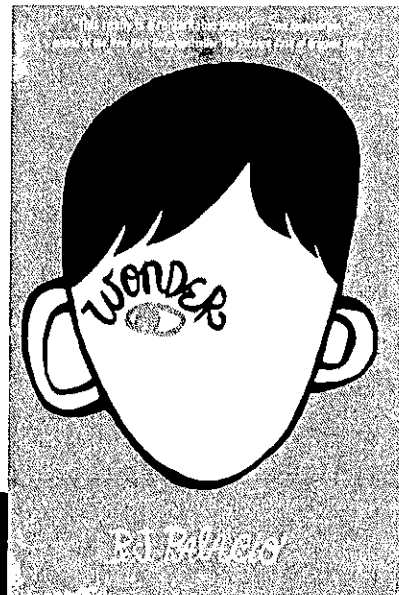


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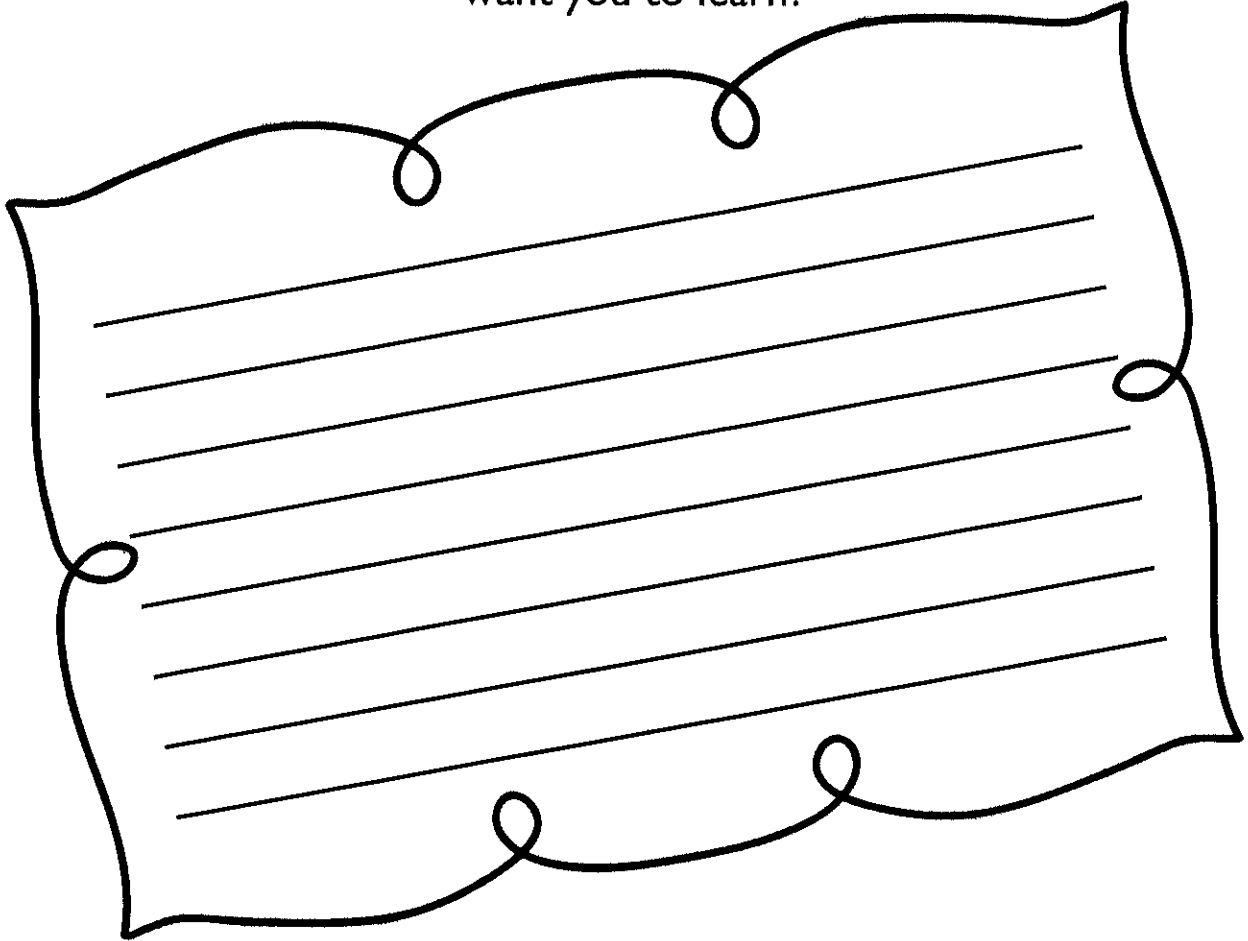
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of a story.



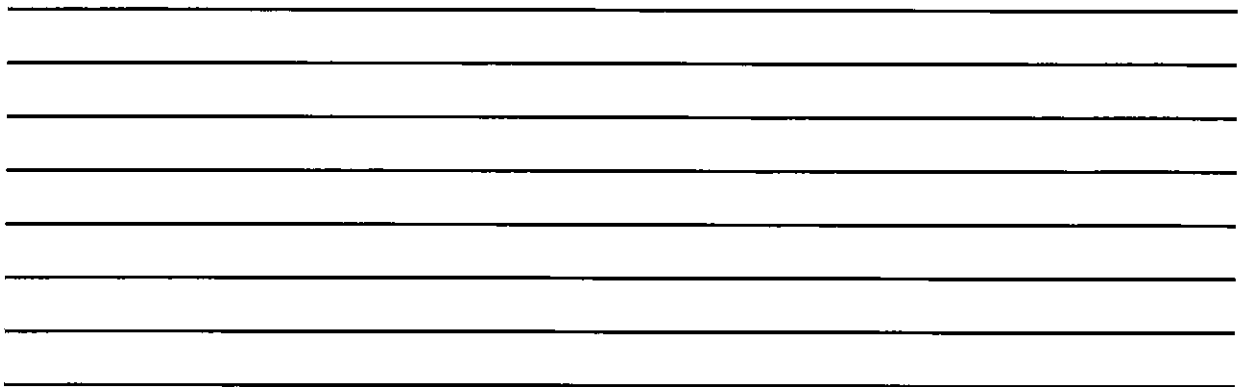
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Wonder

After reading Wonder, what do you think the theme of this book is? What lesson does the author want you to learn?



What evidence from the book lets you know that this is the theme? Give a few examples.



Name: _____

WONDERS

Research

Research Treacher Collins Syndrome.

What is Treacher Collins Syndrome?

What causes Treacher Collins Syndrome?

Is there a treatment for Treacher Collins Syndrome?

What is the life expectancy for someone with Treacher Collins Syndrome?

Why was Auggie's case so unusual and severe?

Other interesting facts.

Using this research, decide on a way to present this information to your class (a brochure, a nonfiction book, a presentation, a trifold, etc).

PRECEPTS

Note to teacher...
The next few pages are Mr. Browne's precepts. Use them to hang in your classroom as you read this novel. You can discuss each precept individually as you hang it up.

They are great discussion starters for any class!

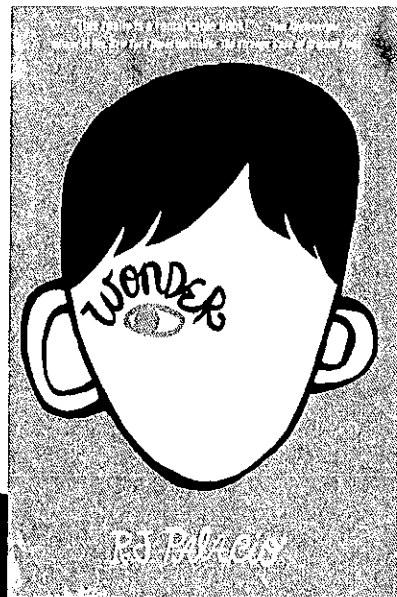
There's so much you can do...Use them for writing activities, research the people behind the precepts, or just simply discuss their meanings!

I have included a sheet at the end for the students to choose a precept, write it in their own words, and explain it.

Enjoy!

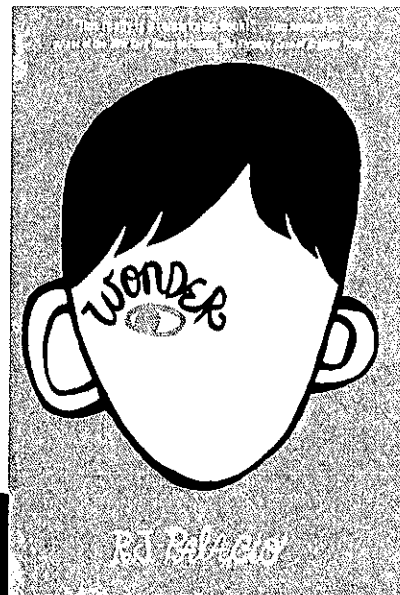
When given the choice
between being right or
being kind,
choose kind.

-Dr. Wayne W. Dyer



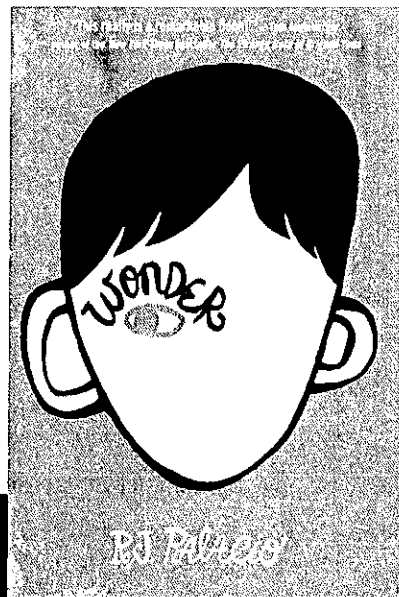
Your deeds are your
monuments.

-Inscription on an
Egyptian tomb



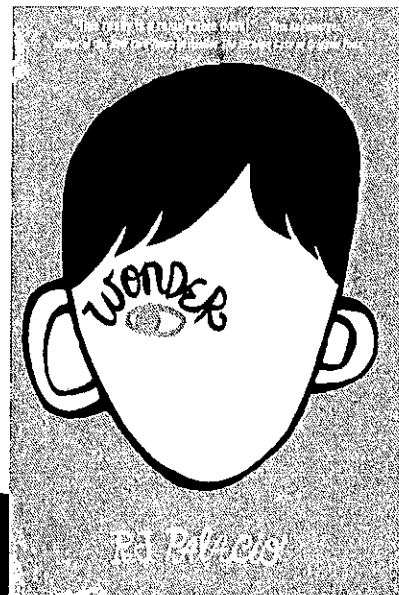
Have no friends
not equal to
yourself.

-Confucius



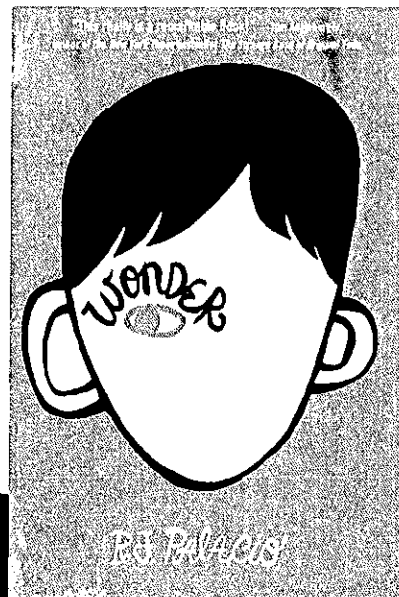
Audentes fortuna iuvat.
(Fortune favors the
bold.)

-Virgil



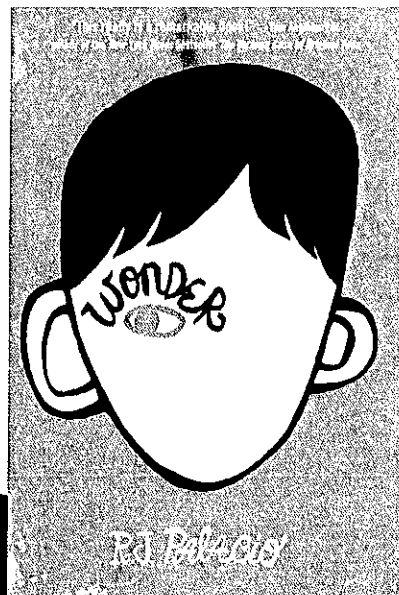
No man is an island,
entire of itself.

-John Donne



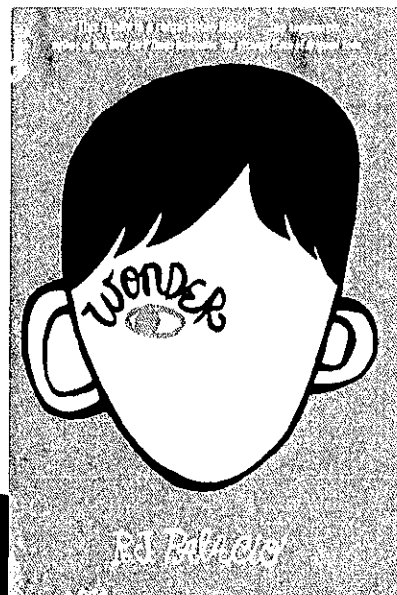
It is better to know
some of the questions
than all of the
answers.

-James Thurber



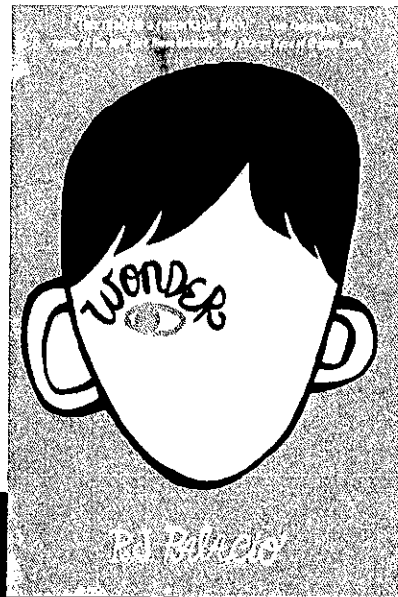
Kind words do not
cost much, yet
they accomplish
much.

-Blaise Pascal



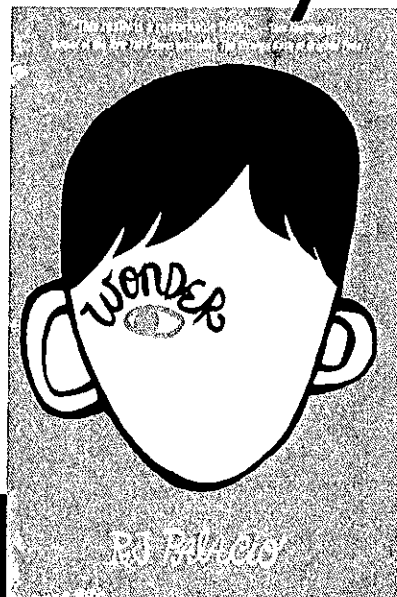
What is beautiful is
good, and who is
good will soon
be beautiful.

-Sappho



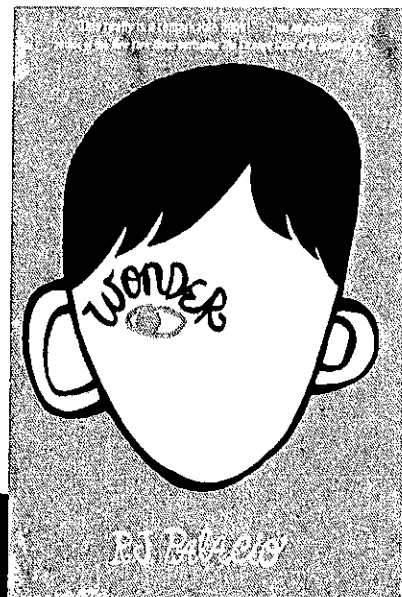
Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
To all the people you can,
As long as you ever can.

-John Wesley's Rule



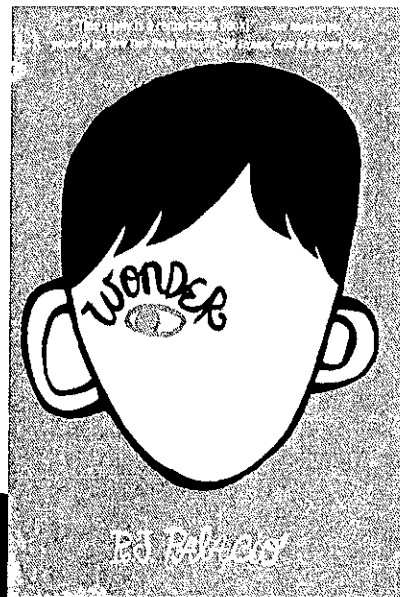
Just follow the day
and reach for the sun!

-The Polyphonic Spree,
“Light and Day”



Everyone in the world
should get a standing
ovation at least once
in their life because
we all overcometh
the world.

-August Pullman



Name: _____

PRECEPT:

Write it in your own words:

Explain

