Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer

Aphasia Book Club

Chapters 3 & 4

Worksheet A

1. Theo describes the offices and personalities of Mr. Boone and Mrs. Boone (pages 28&29; page 34). Compare the qualities of each character. Are you more like one than the other?
2. Sandy Coe reaches out to Theo for help with the financial problems of his parents (page 38). Do you think it is difficult to reach out for help? Who do you reach out to when you are in need?

1. Mrs. Boone states that “people in small towns spend too much time looking up to or down on others” (page 55). Do you believe this type of behavior is exclusive to people from small towns? Why or why not?
2. The trial is about to begin. Mr. Duffy is accused of murdering his wife. Based on the information we have learned so far and the conversation with Ike on pages 53 and 54, do you think Mr. Duffy is guilty? How could you argue that he could be innocent?

Worksheet B

1. Theo describes the offices and personalities of Mr. Boone and Mrs. Boone (pages 28&29; page 34). Are you messy like Mr. Boone, or organized like Mrs. Boone?

Messy Organized

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

1. Sandy Coe reaches out to Theo for help with the financial problems of his parents (page 38). How hard is it for you to reach out to others for help?

Not Difficult Very Difficult

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

1. Mrs. Boone states that “people in small towns spend too much time looking up to or down on others” (page 55). Do you believe this type of behavior is exclusive to people from small towns?
   1. Yes, only people from small towns idolize or judge others
   2. No, people everywhere idolize or judge others
2. The trial is about to begin. Mr. Duffy is accused of murdering his wife. Based on the information we have learned so far and the conversation with Ike on pages 53 and 54, do you think Mr. Duffy is guilty?
   1. Yes, he is guilty
   2. No, he is innocent

Character List

**Theodore Boone (Theo)**: 13-year-old boy who dreams of being a lawyer one day

**Marcella Boone**: Theo’s mother. She is a divorce lawyer working at Boone & Boone

**Woods Boone**: Theo’s father. He is a real estate lawyer at Boone & Boone

**April Finnemore**: Theo’s best friend. Her parents are filing for divorce

**Judge Gantry**: A highly respected judge in Strattenburg

**Mrs. Hardy**: Judge Gantry’s secretary in the courthouse

**Mr. Mount**: Theo’s Government teacher

**Peter Duffy**: Wealthy man who lived in Waverly Creek. On trial for accused murder of his wife, Mrs. Duffy

**Clifford Nance**: Mr. Duffy’s lawyer, a top criminal defense lawyer in the state

**Jack Hogan**: Lead prosecutor or district attorney

**Elsa**: Works at Boone & Boone as receptionist, secretary, office manager, paralegal

**Sandy Coe**: 8th grade student in Theo’s school who needed help with his family’s house foreclosure

**Jenny**: Secretary in Family Court

**Deputy Gossett**: Bailiff at the courthouse that Theo does not like

**Ike Boone**: Theo’s uncle who started Boone & Boone as a tax lawyer until he did “something bad”

**Judge**: Theo’s dog