

## Worksheet A

Chapters 3-5, *The Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride*  
Aphasia Book Club, Spring 2021

- 1) In Chapter 3, what do we learn about Murray's relationship with his grandson Chance? What do you think about their relationship? What do we learn about Murray's personality and past from their conversation?
  
- 2) Murray listens to Father James speak on the phone with Martha. He thinks: "These days, some folks are all business. No time to even ask how someone's day has been before they get down to it. But not the good Father" (p. 23). Do you agree with Murray's observation? If yes, what role might technology play in this societal shift? How is this reflected in the email exchange between Murray and Jason?
  
- 3) On his way to community college, Murray thinks about how his "world has shrunk in the last couple decades" (p. 28). What does Murray mean when he talks about his world shrinking? Have you ever felt like Murray? If so, how did you make yourself feel better?
  
- 4) Jason appears to have a difficult relationship with his father and Murray describes his strained relationship with his son and grandson. After reading Chapters 3-5, do you think Murray and Jason will get along? Why or why not? Do you have any predictions about how they will impact each other's lives?