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Chapters 1 - 5



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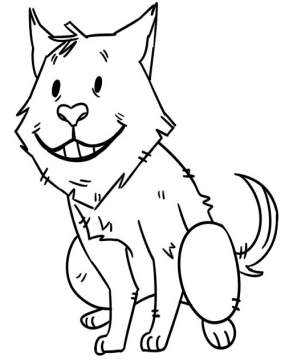
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- a. to be introduced
- b. didn't like being alone
- c. to sleep there
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- a. rolled over
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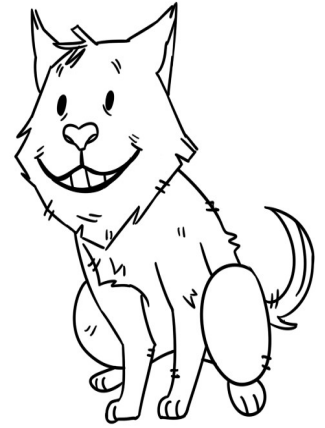
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## ANSWER KEY

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1. What did Opal's father send her to the store for, and what did she come back with?

Opal's father sent her to the store for a box of macaroni-and-cheese, two tomatoes and white rice, and she came back with a dog.

2. What was Winn-Dixie named after? **d**
- a. a candy bar                      b. a weather condition  
c. a town                              d. a grocery store

3. Why did Opal's father agree to keep Winn-Dixie?

Opal's father agreed to keep Winn-Dixie because he was definitely a stray, and he was less fortunate, so he decided the dog could stay.

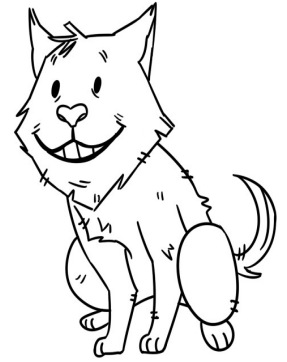
4. How did Opal feel that she and Winn-Dixie were similar?

Opal believed she and Winn-Dixie were similar because neither of them had family, she felt that they were almost like orphans, and neither of them had any friends. It was as if they had an understanding of each other.

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5. Based on the ten things Opal's father told her about her mother, why do you think Opal's mother left them?

Opal's mother probably left the family because she had a drinking problem which caused her parents to fight a lot, and she hated being a preacher's wife. She didn't like the ladies at church judging her all the time, and eventually it became too much for her to handle so she left.

6. Why did Winn-Dixie have to go with Opal and her father to the Open Arms Baptist Church? **b**

- a. to be introduced  
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7. What did Winn-Dixie do in front of the congregation at Open Arms Baptist Church that made everyone cheer? **c**

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8. At the end of Chapter Five, what did Opal pray about?

At the end of Chapter Five, Opal prayed for her mother. She prayed that one day she might be able to tell her the story of Winn-Dixie catching a mouse, and then she prayed telling God that she was lonely. Finally, she prayed for the mouse. That it didn't get hurt and it landed on a nice soft piece of grass when her father threw it out the door.