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## “The Hot and Cold Summer” Story Guide

### Before reading, answer these questions.

p. 22 What is the genre of this selection?

This type of selection tells about characters and events that are like people and events in \_\_\_\_\_.

After reading the genre information, preview the selection (look at the title and the pictures). What type of problems do you think the boys will face?

### As you read, answer these questions.

Prediction Chart – Fill in this chart as you read.	
Read to the bottom of <b>p. 24</b> . Bolivia asks Rory & Derek a question. How do you think the boys will react? Why?	
Read to the bottom of <b>p. 31</b> . Now that you know Lucette is a bird, does that change what you think will happen in the story?	
Read to the bottom of <b>p. 36</b> . Do you think Lucette will be caught? Why or why not?	

p. 24 Why do Derek and Rory think they should be given something for talking to Bolivia?

p. 24 Compare & contrast how the adults behave at the barbecue with how Derek and Rory behave.  
 The adults \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Derek and Rory \_\_\_\_\_.

p. 26 How is Edna related to one of the other characters?

p. 26 At the beginning of the story, why don't the boys want to meet Lucette?

p. 26 What do the boys do to keep from talking to Bolivia?

p. 26 What do you think of Derek's idea to avoid talking to Bolivia?

p. 27 What does Mr. Dunn want Rory to tell Bolivia?

p. 27 (bottom) Rory goes back to refill his plate. Luckily he was very hungry.  
 What is the root word of refill? \_\_\_\_\_ What is the prefix? \_\_\_\_\_

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What does refill mean?  
What is the suffix?

What is the root word of luckily?  
What does luckily mean?

p. 28 What is Rory's opinion of Bolivia?

p. 29 How can you tell that Rory and Derek don't want Bolivia to be around?

p. 29 When Rory sees Bolivia go through the hedge to the back of the house, what does he think?

p. 29 What does Rory have as a souvenir of the first afternoon he hid from Bolivia?

p. 29 What does it mean when the author writes that the summer stretched endlessly before the boys?

p. 29 Read the last sentence. What does endlessly mean?

At the top of p. 31, Rory suggests calling an ambulance or the police. Why does he do this?

p. 31 What clues made you begin to suspect that Lucette was not Bolivia's baby sister?

p. 32 Why does Mr. Dunn offer to help?

p. 32 What is Mr. Dunn doing to become a principal?

p. 34 What does Mrs. Dunn mean when she says, "This isn't working?"

p. 35 Do you think Lucette will be caught? Why or why not?

pp. 39-40 Why does Derek forget that he promised never to speak to Bolivia?

p. 40 After reading the ending of the story on p. 40, do you think Derek and Rory will become friends with Bolivia? Why or why not?

**After reading the story, answer these questions:**

What happened to Derek and Rory's vow not to speak to Bolivia?

What reasons might Bolivia have to be glad that Lucette got away?

Do you think Bolivia would be a good friend? Why or why not?

How did the boys feel when they thought Lucette was a baby who fell out of the window?

How did the boys feel after they learned that Lucette was a parrot in a tree?

What does Rory suspect about how Lucette got out of the window?