

Online Book Club

The Mystery in the Twin Cities

Bring It To Life!

1. Pretend you have a twin brother or sister. Draw a picture of your twin.
2. Use ice cubes to build your own ice castle. Dribble water between the blocks and place your creation in the freezer.
3. The characters in this book drank hot chocolate to get warm. Have each member of your book club make some hot chocolate to share. Vote on the yummiest recipe!
4. Do your own research on the Twin Cities. Plan a pretend vacation to the region. Where will you go? What will you do? Make a poster describing your trip.
5. Cut a hole in a box. Tie a magnet to a string. Place small metal objects in the box and go "ice fishing" with the magnet.



Online Quiz

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Pop Quiz

1. What did Grant urgently need to find at the beginning of the book?
2. What was the name of the gangster who was tried at the courthouse that later became the Landmark Center?
3. Who was the famous cartoonist who created *Peanuts*?
4. What is the name of the largest mall in the United States?
5. Why did Mr. and Mrs. Calhoun need to find the Winter Carnival Medallion?
6. What were Jim and Julie doing in Saint Paul?
7. How did Grant get stuck to a metal statue?
8. From what nation did the Calhouns want to adopt twins?



Know your SAT Words!

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SAT Words



1. abrasion: _____

2. access: _____

3. amateur: _____

4. lithe: _____

5. minutia: _____

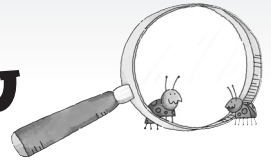
Write a sensational sentence using all five SAT Words from this mystery.



Online Activity

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Scavenger Hunt



Want to have some fun? Let's go on a scavenger hunt! See if you can find each item either in the book or when you visit the real place. Good luck! *(Teachers: You have permission to reproduce this page for your students.)*

1. ____ an ice auger
2. ____ a star-nosed mole
3. ____ Lake Minnetonka
4. ____ Snoopy
5. ____ Rock Bottom Plunge Roller Coaster
6. ____ F. Scott Fitzgerald
7. ____ a walleye
8. ____ a royal blue boot
9. ____ a Hawaiian shirt
10. ____ jellyfish



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Talk About It!

1. Would you prefer to live in a climate with extremely cold winters or a climate with mild winters? Why?
2. Have you ever visited Minnesota? If not, would you like to visit the state? Which place from the book would you most like to visit?
3. Have you ever known anyone who was adopted? If so, was the person adopted from a different country?
4. Who was your favorite character in the book? Why?
5. If you could participate in the Saint Paul Winter Carnival, would you rather be a member of the Vulcan Krewe or a member of King Boreas's court? Why?
6. If you could create a sculpture from a giant block of ice, what would you create?
7. In the book, Christina and Grant tried a dish called lutefisk that they didn't like. What is the worst-tasting dish you've ever tried?
8. Grant mistook Julie for her brother Jim. Has anyone ever mistaken you for someone else?

