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Of interest: The titles of most chapters are terms that are associated with running a business in a capitalist society. Classroom discussion could be based on each term as the group or individual is preset to read a new chapter.

Teacher's Guide

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Chapter 1 Slump Pp. 1-10

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- 5. What did Evan say to Jessie to hurt her? Pp. 9-10** "I hate you. You ruined everything this summer, and now you'll ruin school."

Chapter 2 Breakup Pp. 11-26

Vocabulary List with Definitions (grade appropriate #, page where word is found)

definitely (6, 19) clear in meaning

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- 2. What was in the letter that angered Evan? Pp. 13-14** The school was combining classes. Evan and Jesse would be in the same class for fourth grade. Jesse was skipping a grade.
- 3. What other time did Even had act like he hated Jesse? Pp. 15-16** He acted like he hated Jesse when he couldn't understand his math homework. Jesse did the problems for him instead of showing him how to do them.
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- 7. What did Scott say about Jesse being in fourth grade this next school year? Pp. 23-24** It was freaky. She was going to miss one whole year of her life. She would miss all her third grade fieldtrips and would die a whole year earlier.
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- 9. How would you feel if your smart little brother or sister was suddenly thrust into your class at school to be a classmate of yours?**

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2. Ch. 3 What message does the reader get about how Evan felt about Scott?

Evan really didn't like Scott. And he wished his other friends weren't gone.

3. Ch. 5 What had happened to the profits from Evan's and Scott's business?

Evan was pretty sure that Scott had taken \$5.00.

4. Ch. 7 What did Evan ask the salesperson in the Big Dipper?

Evan asked how much a glass of lemonade cost at the Big Dipper. It was \$3 a cup for 8+ ounces.

5. Ch. 8 What was Jesse's plan to make money without lifting a hand? And what is a franchise?

A franchise is the right to sell a company's product and use the company's name and logo in a certain area. Jesse planned to sell lemonade franchises to the other kids in the 4th grade.

6. Ch. 10 What was the meanest trick that Jesse had ever done that she did to Evan?

After Evan finished mixing up the frozen lemonade in a big cooler, Jesse put fruit flies, 2 green inchworms, a moth caterpillar and a fistful of dirt in the cooler.

Vocabulary Worksheet

Name _____

Use the following blanks to list and define vocabulary words chosen from the included word list.

1. _____ Meaning: _____

2. _____ Meaning: _____

3. _____ Meaning: _____

4. _____ Meaning: _____

5. _____ Meaning: _____

6. _____ Meaning: _____

7. _____ Meaning: _____

8. _____ Meaning: _____

9. _____ Meaning: _____

10. _____ Meaning: _____

Comprehension Worksheet

Name _____

Answer five comprehension questions in complete sentences.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

Vocabulary and Comprehension Worksheet

Name _____

Use the following blanks to list and define vocabulary words chosen from the word list.

1. _____ Meaning: _____

2. _____ Meaning: _____

3. _____ Meaning: _____

Answer three comprehension questions in complete sentences.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____
