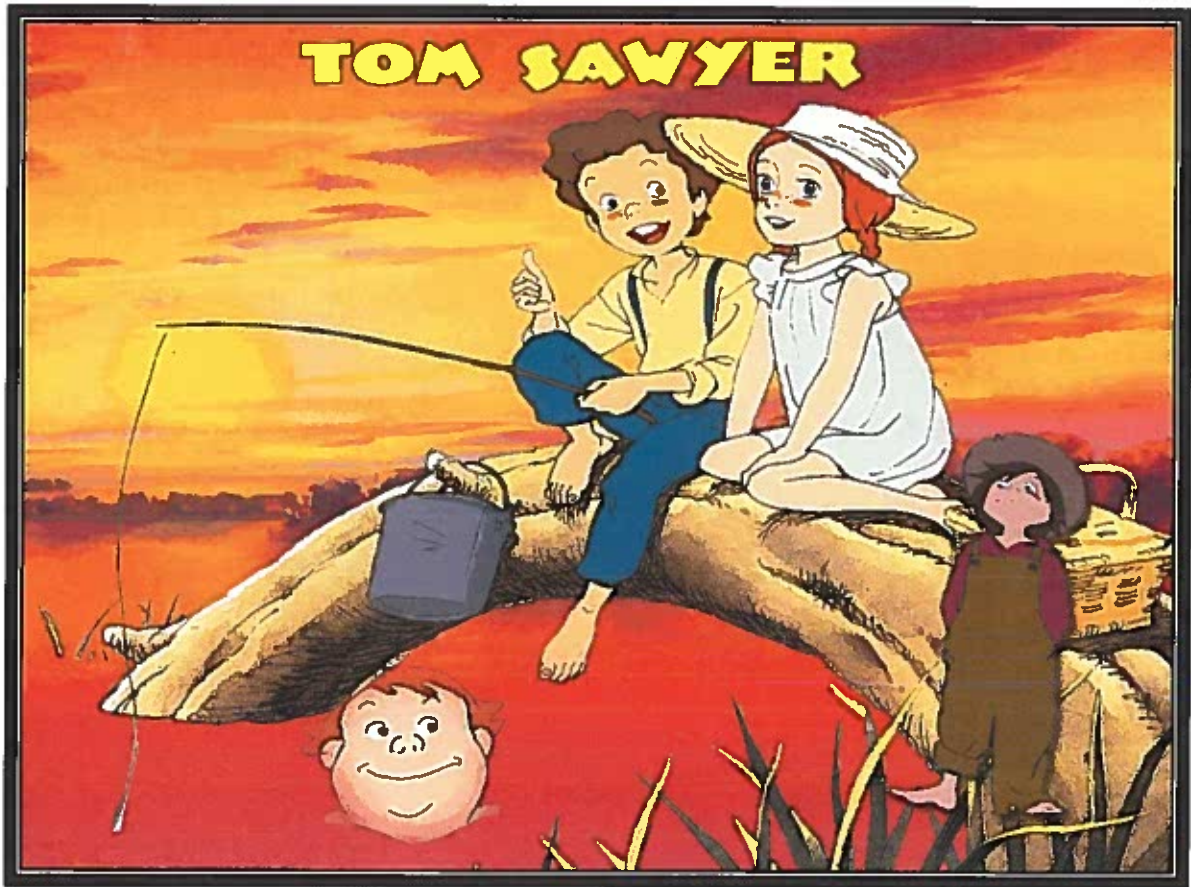


Study Guide



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Chapters 1, 2 and 3

Complete the following statements with the correct word or words.

1. Tom's _____ is Aunt Polly's dead sister.
2. Because Tom plays hooky from school, Aunt Polly plans to _____ him,
3. _____ is Tom's half-brother and _____ is the boy who helps with the chores around the house.
4. At the dinner table, Sid reveals Tom's lie by drawing attention to the _____ Tom used to _____ his shirt collar.
5. The story is set in the town of _____, Missouri.
6. The reader never learns the name of the _____ with whom Tom fights.
7. Early Saturday morning, Tom's chore is to _____.
8. Jim and Tom are interrupted in the middle of studying Tom's sore toe by _____, who _____.
9. Tom convinces the other boys to whitewash the fence by _____.
10. Tom and his friends play _____ in the public square in the village.
11. When Tom sees the _____, he begins to show off.
12. _____ breaks the sugar bowl, however _____ is assumed to be guilty.

Chapters 4, 5 and 6

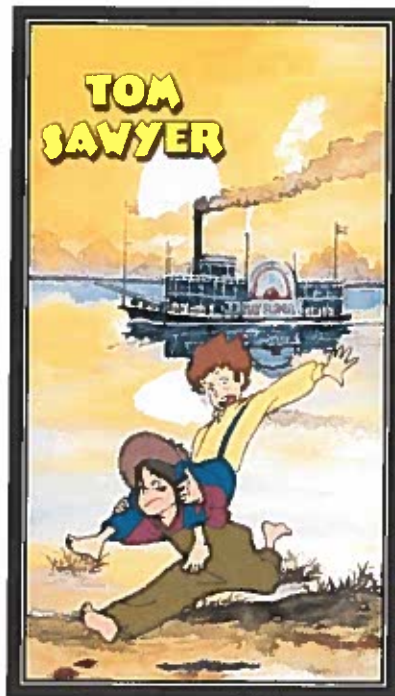
Write true or false on the line provided.

1. _____ Tom tries to memorize five verses of the Sermon on the Mount because this Bible section is one of his favorites.
2. _____ Cleanliness and fine clothes are important to Tom.
3. _____ Tom earns his Bible by bending the rules somewhat.
4. _____ "David and Goliath" is the correct answer to Judge Thatcher's question.
5. _____ Tom leaves the church feeling cheerful because of the uplifting service.
6. _____ Tom's illness is an attempt to avoid school.
7. _____ Aunt Polly's technique for removing teeth includes silk thread and a hammer.
8. _____ Huck Finn is admired by the parents of the town.
9. _____ Tom is considered to be a lucky boy by the boys in St. Petersburg because he does not attend school or church, never washes or wears clean clothes, and does not follow any rules.
10. _____ Tom doesn't believe that dead cats can be used to cure warts.
11. _____ Becky Thatcher is impressed by Tom's math ability.



Chapter 6

1. What is Tom's mood like at school? How does he try to fool Aunt Polly?
2. What is Aunt Polly's technique for removing loose teeth?
3. Tom and Huckleberry Finn discuss ways to remove warts. What are their superstitions for the removal?
4. Whose grave are the boys going to visit tonight?
5. What does Tom trade his tooth for? With whom does he trade?
6. Why does Tom have to sit with the girls at school? Who does he meet and how does he try to impress her?



Chapter 7

1. What is Tom's mood like at school? How does Twain's description of the weather and nature in general help you to "feel" just what Tom's mood is like?
2. What mischief does Tom and his "bosom friend" get into at school?
3. School was very different in Tom Sawyer's day. What was the teacher like? How does he punish children for not paying attention?
4. What does Tom ask of Becky? What big mistake does he make when talking with her?
5. Becky returns a gift Tom gave her. What is it?
6. How do we know Tom is very upset? What does he do?

Put the following events from chapter 7 in the correct order:

- _____ Joe Harper and Tom exercise the tick.
- _____ Becky and Tom give their schoolmates the slip.
- _____ Becky refuses Tom's gift of the brass knob.
- _____ The schoolmaster interrupts Joe and Tom.
- _____ Tom gives Becky a drawing lesson.
- _____ Tom accidentally mentions Amy Lawrence.

Chapter 8

1. What kind of a mood is Tom in? How does Twain's description of the day (first paragraph of the chapter) help set the mood?
2. Tom decides he cannot "leave" this life. Why?
3. What life style (career) is Tom going to adopt?
4. Once again, we have a discussion of superstition, or belief, that Tom has. What is it?
5. What game does Tom play with his friend? Why might this game give the reader the idea that Tom and his friend like to read?

Put the following events from chapter 8 in the correct order:

- _____ Tom plans to disappear and to return to town as a great Indian Chief.
- _____ Tom reclaims a marble he had hidden in a decaying log.
- _____ Robin Hood and Guy of Guisborne engage in battle.
- _____ Tom wishes to die *temporarily*.
- _____ Tom plans to disappear and to return to town as a pirate.
- _____ Tom tosses a marble away, exclaiming, "Brother, go find your brother."

Put the following events from chapter 9 in the correct order:

- _____ Huck and Tom believe the figures approaching the graveyard are three devils.
- _____ Injun Joe reminds Dr. Robinson of an incident that happened years ago. The incident explains why he hates the doctor.
- _____ Huck and Tom recognize Muff Potter, Injun Joe and Dr. Robinson.
- _____ Huck and Tom walk to the graveyard to test their theory about warts and cats.
- _____ The three thieves rob the grave of the coffin and rob the coffin of its body.
- _____ Injun Joe drives Muff Potter's knife into Dr. Robinson.
- _____ Huck and Tom run away.
- _____ Injun Joe promised Potter he will not "tell" on him.
- _____ Muff Potter and Dr. Robinson fight.
- _____ Injun Joe places the murder weapon in Potter's hand.



Chapters 10, 11 and 12

Read the list of causes and then read the list of effects. Write the letter of the correct effect on the line next to its cause.

Causes

1. _____ Because the boys are terrified by what they have witnessed,.....
2. _____ Because they fear Injun Joe would kill them if they said what they knew,.....
3. _____ Tom suggests that because Muff is drunk,.....
4. _____ Because the howling dog is facing Muff Potter,.....
5. _____ Since Aunt Polly claims Tom will send her to an early grave,.....
6. _____ Because Muff Potter is not clean by habit,.....
7. _____ Because he wants to retrieve his knife,.....
8. _____ Since Potter's knife is found near the corpse,.....
9. _____ Since God does not strike Injun Joe with lightning as he unravels his lie,.....
10. _____ Because Tom's conscience does not leave him alone,.....
11. _____ Because Becky Thatcher has stopped coming to school,.....
12. _____ Because Aunt Polly believes everything she reads,.....
13. _____ Because Tom gives Peter a dose of painkiller,.....
14. _____ Once Aunt Polly concludes that what is cruel to a cat may also be cruel to a child,.....

Effects

- A. Tom and Huck believe he has sold himself to the devil in return for protection.
- B. Tom and Huck believe that Muff is in danger.
- C. he is considered guilty of the crime.
- D. the boys swear not to tell what they saw in the graveyard.
- E. he had difficulty sleeping at night.
- F. he may not know that Injun Joe killed Dr. Robinson.
- G. Tom regrets sneaking out that night and promises to change.
- H. they flee the graveyard.
- I. Potter returns to the crime scene.
- J. the townspeople are suspicious when they find him washing himself.
- K. the cat dashes through the house, leaving confusion in its path.
- L. Tom loses interest in games and everything else.
- M. Tom is no longer required to take medicine.
- N. she purchases medicine from health journals.

Chapter 13

1. Why is Tom running away from home?
2. Why has Joe Harper been punished?
3. Where are the boys running away to? Who is with them?
4. We again see Tom's conscience bothering him. Why? Do all the boys feel guilty?

Chapter 14

1. How is the morning described?
2. How do the boys know the people are looking for them? How does Joe feel? What does he think of doing?
3. Why does the chapter end with a feeling of mystery?

Chapter 15

1. Why does Tom sneak away from Jackson Island?
2. How does Tom feel when he overhears Aunt Polly saying her prayers? What does he think of doing?

Chapter 16

1. How do the boys amuse themselves at Jackson Island?

2. What feelings begin to overtake the boys? What do they discuss doing?

Chapter 17

1. Mark Twain describes the storm in beautiful language. How does he describe it? How does his description help you see and "feel" the storm?

Chapter 18

1. How have Becky's feelings changed about Tom? What caused this change?
2. How do we know the townspeople and Aunt Polly's true feelings about the boys?
3. What is funny about the description of the funeral?

Chapter 19

1. What is the "secret" that Tom told the boys that convinced them to stay on the island?
2. What does Becky's friend, Alfred Temple, do to annoy Tom?
3. What does Alfred do to get Tom in trouble at school?

Chapter 20

1. Aunt Polly is upset about Tom's dream. What dream is she talking about?

2. What does Aunt Polly find in Tom's pocket? Why is it important?

Chapter 21

1. What has Becky done at school that will get her in trouble?
2. Why might the incident be a clue as to the mean attitude of the teacher?
3. How do Tom and Becky become friends again?

Chapter 22

1. What mood is the teacher in? Why is he so nervous?
2. What do the students do to get revenge against the teacher?
3. What vacation are the children ready for?



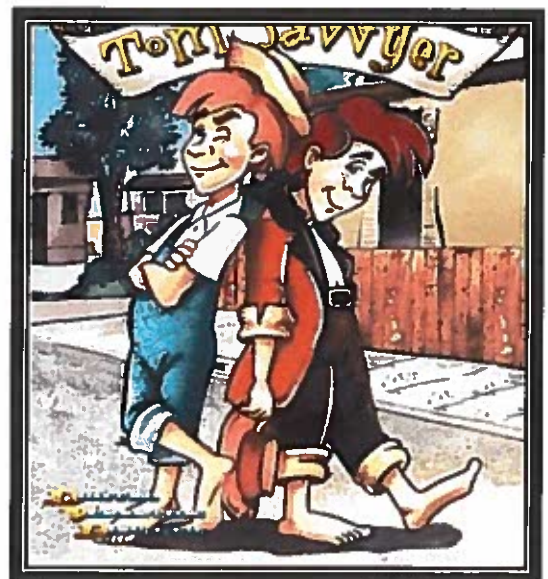
Chapter 23

1. Why does Tom join the Cadets of Temperance?
2. What promises does he make in order to be part of this group? Once he made the promises, what did he feel like doing? What is Twain saying about human nature?
3. How does Twain feel about the summer? What has happened to his friends?

Chapters 20- 23

Write true or false on the line.

1. _____ Tom *did* write a note explaining his disappearance to Aunt Polly; however, he didn't leave it for her.
2. _____ Aunt Polly wants to believe Tom meant to leave her a note.
3. _____ Mr. Dobbins wanted to be a doctor at one time.
4. _____ Alfred is responsible for the torn page in the anatomy book.
5. _____ Tom receives two spankings. He has earned both.
6. _____ As vacation time approaches, the demands at school decrease.
7. _____ Tom's recitation of the "Give me liberty, or give me death" speech is great!
8. _____ Joe Harper removes Mr. Dobbin's wig and reveals that his bald head has been painted gold.
9. _____ Tom is unable to remain a member of the Cadets of Temperance.
10. _____ Tom becomes ill with the measles.



Chapter 24

1. How do the boys feel about Muff Potter? What do they do to try and make him feel better?
2. Who saves Muff Potter's life at the trial?
3. What did Injun Joe do when the truth came out? Why do his actions worry Tom?
4. What does this chapter show you about Tom Sawyer's character?

Chapter 25

1. How does the town feel about Tom?
2. How do we know Tom is afraid of Injun Joe?

Chapter 26

1. What adventures are the boys going to undertake?
2. What will they do with the money if they find it? Why is Huck surprised at Tom and what he wants to do?
3. What is the "ha'nted" house like? What do the boys decide to do there?

Chapter 27

1. We see two other superstitions in this chapter. What are they?
2. What do Tom and Huck see when they are in the haunted house?
3. Who does the mysterious person turn out to be?

Chapter 28

1. What is Tom dreaming about? What is Huck dreaming about?
2. What is the sign of "number two"? What does the number refer to?
3. Who are the boys going to follow?

Chapter 29

1. What are the boys looking for?
2. Which one of the boys sees Injun Joe? Why doesn't Injun Joe say anything?

Chapter 30

1. Why does the beginning of this chapter have a change of mood for the reader?
2. What are Becky Thatcher's plans for the day? How are they going to get where they are going?
3. What instructions does Mrs. Thatcher give Becky?
4. How does Tom change their plans? How do these details justify the oversight of the children's absence later?
5. Where is Huck? What is happening to Injun Joe?
6. We again see revenge as a reason for an action. Why does Injun Joe want to hurt the Widow Douglas?

Chapter 31

1. Who are the Welshman and his sons? How do they treat Huck?
2. What do Aunt Polly and Mrs. Thatcher discover while attending church?
3. When do we see the Widow Douglas acting very kind and loving?

Chapter 32

1. Where are Tom and Becky? Why can't they escape?
2. What does Tom use kite string for?
3. What do the children have to eat?
4. Who is Tom shocked to see in the cave?
5. How do you see Tom in the mature role?



Chapter 33

1. How does the village find out that Tom and Becky are found? What kind of celebration takes place?
2. How does Tom find an escape route?
3. At the end of the chapter, what news does Tom share with Judge Thatcher?

Chapter 34

1. How does Injun Joe die? Where is his body?
2. What feelings does Tom have towards the dead body of Injun Joe? What does this reveal about him?
3. Why are the townspeople gathered at the Widow's house?

Chapter 35

1. Why are the boys getting dressed up?
2. We see again the type of kid Sis is. What does he do?
3. What does the Widow offer Huck? How do you think he would feel about this offer?
4. What surprise do the boys have for the crowd at the house?

Chapter 36

1. How does the town react to the boys' good luck?
2. What is done with the boys' money? Who will take care of it for them?
3. How does Huck like living with the Widow?
4. What are the boys planning on doing for fun?

Conclusion

Mark Twain ends the books because it is the tale of a boy. If he continued to write, the boy would be a man. He tells us he may write about the same characters again some day. He later wrote *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*.

