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The Time Machine

18 Chapters

Day 1-18

W01-W06

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 1: A Machine in the Garage

VOCABULARY future, machine, secret, garage

Henry was a curious boy who loved science. He wanted to explore the future because he had many questions. ★ **Although his parents thought it was dangerous, he built a special machine in secret.** He worked in his small garage every afternoon. Henry felt excited when he finished the machine. He wanted to travel to the year 3000 to learn about new technology. The machine was small but very powerful. Henry sat inside and pressed a red button. Suddenly, everything around him began to change very fast. He saw bright lights and heard strange sounds. Henry was a little afraid, but he also felt brave. He arrived in a beautiful city with tall buildings. The sky was clear and the air was fresh. People wore clothes that looked very different. They traveled in flying cars that made no sound. Henry met a friendly girl who showed him around. She explained how they used clean energy from the sun. Henry learned that people in the future lived peacefully. Although he wanted to stay longer, he had to return home. He promised to keep his adventure a secret. Henry was happy because he saw a wonderful future.

THINK What did Henry want to explore?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 2: The Work in Secret

Henry was a curious student who loved science. He read many books about space and time. He wanted to learn about the future because he had many questions. Although his parents thought it was just a hobby, he worked hard every day. Henry decided to build a special machine in his garage. He collected old parts from broken computers and clocks. He worked in secret because he wanted to surprise everyone. His goal was to create a device that could travel through time. One rainy afternoon, he finally finished his project. He felt excited but also a little afraid. Henry pressed a big red button on the machine. Suddenly, bright lights filled the room. Everything around him began to spin very fast. When the lights stopped, he saw a beautiful garden outside. The flowers were colors he had never seen before. He realized his machine actually worked. Henry had traveled many years into the future. He stepped outside to explore the beautiful garden. ★ Although everything looked strange, Henry felt happy because his dream finally came true.

THINK What did Henry read about?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 3: Why He Built It

Henry was a curious student who loved science. He often read books about space and history. One day, he had a big idea. He wanted to build a special machine. Henry worked on his project in secret because he was afraid of failure. He used old parts from his garage. Although the work was difficult, he never gave up. He wanted to travel through time to learn about the world. Henry built the machine to explore different eras. He dreamed of seeing dinosaurs and future cities. The machine was small but very powerful. It could take him to any time he chose. Henry felt excited but also a little nervous. He knew that time travel could be dangerous. He decided to test his invention carefully. Henry pressed a button and the machine started to hum. Suddenly, bright lights filled the room. Everything around him began to change very quickly. He closed his eyes because the light was too strong. When he opened them, he was in a beautiful forest. He saw strange plants that he did not recognize. Henry realized his machine actually worked. ★ He was now in a different time.

THINK Why did Henry work in secret?

Chapter 4: The Year 802,701

VOCABULARY peaceful, travel

Henry built a special machine because he wanted to see the future. He traveled many years forward and arrived in a new world. The world looked beautiful and peaceful at first. Henry felt excited although he was a little afraid. He saw tall buildings that shone in the sunlight. The air was clean and the sky was very blue. People wore clothes that were simple and comfortable. They smiled when they saw Henry arrive. Henry walked around to learn about this place. He saw gardens where children played happily. Everything seemed perfect because there was no visible danger. Henry thought the future was wonderful although he knew little about it. He wanted to stay and explore more of this world. The people were friendly and helped him understand their life. ★ Henry felt hopeful about what he would discover next.

THINK Where did Henry arrive?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 5: A Garden Without Machines

Henry built a special machine because he wanted to travel through time. He was excited although he felt a little afraid. He pressed a button and suddenly the world changed. Henry arrived in a beautiful future world. The sky was blue and the buildings were tall. He saw green parks that looked very peaceful. People wore strange clothes but they smiled. Henry walked around to learn about this new place. Children played games in a big garden. The air felt clean and fresh because there were no cars. Henry thought life was perfect here. He met a friendly girl who showed him her home. She gave him sweet fruit from a tree. Henry was happy although he missed his old friends. He decided to stay for a while. ★ The future seemed wonderful on that first day.

THINK What did Henry see from the tall buildings?

Chapter 6: The Perfect-Looking Future

Henry built a special machine because he wanted to see the future. He traveled many years forward and arrived in a new world. The world looked beautiful and peaceful at first. Henry felt excited although he was a little afraid. He saw tall buildings that shone in the sunlight. People wore strange clothes and smiled all the time. Henry walked around to learn about their lives. He saw children playing in a green park. They laughed because they were having fun. Henry thought the future was perfect. Suddenly, he noticed something strange. Some people looked sad when they were alone. Henry wanted to know why they were unhappy. He decided to ask a woman nearby. She explained that life was not easy. People worked all day although they seemed happy. Henry understood that the future had problems too. He felt disappointed because his dream was broken. ★ The beautiful world was not perfect after all.

THINK What did Henry notice about some people?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 7: The Gentle People

Henry traveled to a beautiful valley because he wanted to see new places. ★ **He met gentle, small people who lived there happily.** They always smiled and played games in the sun. Their life seemed perfect and very easy. Henry felt happy when he stayed with them. He enjoyed their simple food and songs. They built small houses from wood and leaves. They never worried about tomorrow or worked hard. Although their life was peaceful, Henry noticed something strange. The people could not answer difficult questions. They only talked about food and fun. Henry felt a little sad because they could not think deeply. He wondered if their easy life was truly good. He decided to travel home after a week. He learned that happiness needs more than just fun.

THINK *Where did Henry travel?*

Chapter 8: Life Without Problems

Henry traveled to a beautiful valley because he wanted to see new places. He met gentle, small people who lived there happily. They always smiled and played games in the sun. Their life seemed perfect and very easy. Henry liked them although he felt something was missing. They did not build things or learn new skills. They ate fruit from trees and slept under the stars. Henry stayed with them for many days. He watched them live without any problems. They never felt afraid or worried about tomorrow. Their world was safe and always peaceful. Henry started to feel bored because nothing ever changed. He wanted to talk about big ideas. The people only laughed and sang simple songs. They could not answer difficult questions. Henry decided to leave although the valley was beautiful. He missed challenges and learning new things. ★ **An easy life was not enough for him.**

THINK *How did the small people spend their days?*

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 9: Minds That Stopped Growing

Henry traveled to a beautiful valley because he wanted to see new places. He met gentle, small people who lived there happily. They played games and sang songs all day long. Their life seemed perfect and very easy. Henry felt happy when he stayed with them. He enjoyed the warm sun and the green fields. The people were always kind and friendly to him. They shared their food and helped him build a small house. Henry liked them although they were different from him. They did not worry about the future or the past. They only cared about today and their simple fun. Henry started to think about his own life back home. His life was sometimes difficult and full of work. He had to study hard and solve many problems. But he also learned important things because of those challenges. The gentle people did not seem to learn or think deeply. Henry wondered if their easy life was truly good. ★ He decided to travel back home after a few weeks.

THINK What did the people do all day long?

Chapter 10: The Wells in the Ground

VOCABULARY discovery, secret

Henry loved to explore the old forest near his home. He often found interesting rocks and plants there. One afternoon, he saw a dark cave behind some trees. He felt afraid because it looked very deep and dark. Although he was nervous, he decided to go inside. Henry took a small flashlight from his backpack. The cave was cold and quiet as he walked slowly. He saw strange marks on the walls that looked very old. Suddenly, his light showed something shiny on the ground. It was a small metal box covered in dirt. Henry opened the box carefully. Inside, he found old letters and a map. The map showed secret places in the forest he never knew. This discovery changed how he saw his hometown. He learned that history was all around him. Now he wants to learn more about the past. ★ He shares his findings with his friends at school.

THINK Where did Henry go inside?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 11: Down the Shaft

VOCABULARY discovery, secret

Henry was a curious boy who loved to explore. One day, he found an old map in his grandfather's attic. The map showed a secret tunnel under his school. Henry decided to look for it because he was very excited. He went to the school garden after classes were finished. Although it was getting dark, he started to dig near a big tree. Suddenly, his shovel hit something hard and metallic. He cleared away the dirt and saw a strange metal door. Henry opened the door slowly and saw a long staircase going down. He walked down the stairs with a flashlight in his hand. The air was cold and smelled like old stones. At the bottom, he entered a large room that was filled with strange machines. The machines had many lights and buttons that glowed softly. Henry saw something strange underground that completely changed how he viewed this world. He realized the machines could show events from the past. Henry felt both amazed and a little afraid because this was a huge secret. He knew he had to tell someone about this important discovery. However, he also wondered if some secrets should stay hidden. Henry carefully closed the metal door and covered it with dirt again. ★ He walked home slowly, thinking about what he should do next.

THINK What did Henry find under the tree?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 12: Two Peoples, One World

VOCABULARY explore, realize

Henry loved to explore old places in his town. One day, he found a hidden door behind a large tree. He was curious because the door looked very old. Although he was a little afraid, he decided to open it. Inside, he saw something strange underground. There was a small room that was filled with old books. The books told stories about the town's history. Henry learned that his town had a big secret. Many years ago, people built a special school here. The school was for children who loved science. Henry read about how they made amazing discoveries. He saw pictures of machines that could do wonderful things. This changed how he thought about his home. Now he understood why some places felt special. He realized that history is full of surprises. Henry decided to learn more about the past. ★ He wanted to share these stories with his friends.

THINK What did Henry see inside?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 13: The Empty Pedestal

VOCABULARY suddenly, disappeared, machine, travel

Henry built a small machine in his room because he loved science. He wanted to travel to different times and learn about history. Although his parents thought it was strange, he worked on it every day. The machine that he built was very special and beautiful. One night, the machine suddenly disappeared from his desk. Henry felt very afraid because he could not find it anywhere. He looked under his bed and inside his closet, but it was gone. He needed to find it before dark because he had an important plan. If he did not find it, he would miss his chance to travel. Henry thought about where it could be and felt completely stuck. He remembered that he showed it to his friend Thomas yesterday. Maybe Thomas knew something about the missing machine. Henry decided to call him although it was already getting late. He hoped that Thomas could help him solve this problem. The sky was becoming dark, and Henry started to feel nervous. He knew he had to find the machine quickly. Finally, his phone rang, and it was Thomas with good news. Henry felt happy because his friend found the machine in the park. ★ He learned that he should be more careful with important things.

THINK What disappeared from Henry's desk?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 14: Night Is Coming

VOCABULARY suddenly, disappear, machine

Henry built a small machine in his room because he loved science. He wanted to travel to the future and see beautiful places. Although his friends thought it was strange, he worked hard every day. One night, his machine suddenly disappeared from his desk. He felt very afraid because he did not know where it went. He needed to find it before his parents came home. Henry looked under his bed and inside his closet. He found nothing that could help him. He decided to search the garden before it got dark. The garden was large and had many trees. He saw something shiny near the old tree. It was his machine that fell from the window. He was happy because he found it in time. Now he could learn more about how it worked. ★ **He promised to be more careful with his things.**

THINK When did the machine disappear?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 15: Fire in the Forest

VOCABULARY disappeared, workshop, search

Henry built a special machine because he loved science. He wanted to travel to the future and learn about new things. Although his friends thought it was strange, he worked hard every day. He finally finished his project last week. The machine was small and beautiful, and it made a soft sound. Henry felt excited about his first trip. He planned to go to the year 2100. He wanted to see the cities and schools of the future. He was a little afraid, but he was also very curious. One night, Henry went to his workshop. He wanted to check his machine before his big trip. He opened the door and turned on the light. Suddenly, he saw an empty space where his machine should be. His time machine disappeared, and he needed to find it before dark. He searched the whole room, but he found nothing. He felt completely stuck and did not know what to do. He called his friend Thomas who lived nearby. Thomas came quickly because he heard the worry in Henry's voice. They looked together, but the machine was gone. Henry sat down and felt very sad. He had worked for many months on his special project. Now it was lost, and his dream was broken. He decided to look again in the morning. ★ **Maybe he would find a clue when the sun came up.**

THINK *What did Henry build last week?*

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 16: Home Again

VOCABULARY believe, return, story, friend

Henry traveled to a beautiful island last summer. He wanted to learn about the people who lived there. He built a small boat because he loved adventures. The journey was long, but he was not afraid. He arrived on the island when the sun was setting. The people there were very kind, although their language was different. They showed him their homes and their food. Henry felt happy because he made new friends. One day, he saw something amazing in the forest. A large bird that had colorful feathers flew above him. He followed the bird to a secret cave. Inside the cave, he found old pictures on the walls. The pictures told a story about the island's history. Henry took photos with his camera to remember everything. He stayed on the island for two weeks. Then he returned home with an amazing story. He told his friends about the bird and the cave. But his friends found it very hard to believe. They thought he was joking. Henry felt a little sad, although he understood their doubt. He showed them the photos from his camera. ★ Finally, his friends said the story was true.

THINK Where did Henry travel last summer?

Chapter 17: An Amazing Tale

VOCABULARY story, returned

Henry returned home with an amazing story about his summer trip. He traveled to a beautiful island with his family. They built a small boat because they wanted to explore the coast. Although the weather was sunny, the sea became dangerous suddenly. Henry saw a group of dolphins that played near their boat. He felt very happy when the dolphins jumped high. His friends listened to the story after school. They found it very hard to believe the part about the dolphins. Henry showed them pictures on his phone. His best friend Thomas smiled because he saw the photos. Although the story was amazing, the pictures were real. Henry learned that sharing adventures can be fun. He wants to travel again next summer. He hopes to find more stories to tell his friends. ★ They might believe him more next time.

THINK What did Henry's friends listen to?

Read the story. Then think about each question.



Chapter 18: A Flower as Proof

VOCABULARY story, returned

Henry returned home with an amazing story about his summer trip. He traveled to a beautiful island with his family. They built a small boat to explore the coast. Henry saw many colorful fish that swam near the shore. He was very happy because the water was clear and warm. Although the weather was sometimes dangerous, they had fun. One day, Henry found a cave that was hidden behind some rocks. He went inside and discovered old drawings on the wall. The drawings showed people who lived there long ago. Henry took pictures to show his friends later. He felt excited about his discovery. When Henry returned home, he told his story. His friends listened carefully to every word. They thought the story was interesting but very hard to believe. James asked many questions because he was curious. Thomas smiled although he felt unsure. They all wanted to see the pictures from the cave. Henry showed them on his phone. The friends looked at the drawings that Henry found. They were surprised by the details. In the end, they decided to learn more about the island's history. ★ Henry was glad that he shared his adventure.

THINK What did Henry's friends find hard to believe?