

Flora & Ulysses

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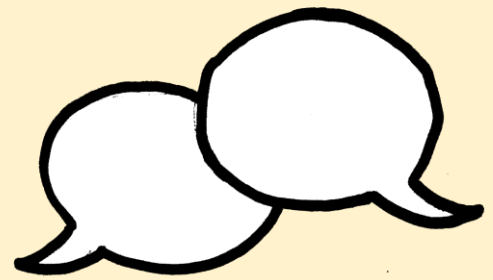
Vocabulary Check

- made the mistake of signing a **contract** that said
- a natural-born **cynic**
- who lived in **defiance** of
- This **malfeasance** must be stopped
- The average squirrel **cogitation** goes something like
- even for the powerful, **indomitable**, indoor/outdoor
- gave the tail a **tentative** tug

Quick Start

1. What was Flora doing in her bedroom?
2. Who made Flora sign a contract?
3. What was her mother's occupation?
4. Who were the Tickhams?
5. What was swallowed by the vacuum in the Tickhams' garden?

Partnered Talk



Do you think the use of the comic strip before chapter one was effective?

Why?

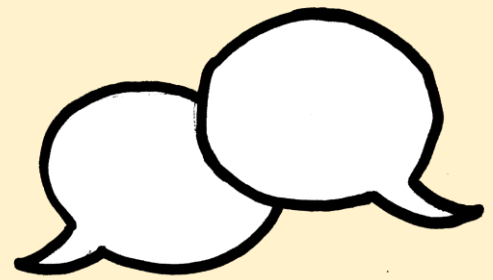
Individual Thinking



“Work to turn her face away from the idiotic high jinks of comics and towards the bright light of true literature.”

Which phrase suggests that the mother does not value comics?

Partnered Talk



“A few bolts shy of a load”, said Flora out loud.

What does Flora mean by this phrase?

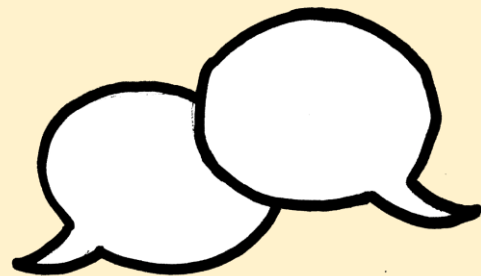
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Why do you think the author chose to leave p.8
blank?

Think about what you read at the end of p.7 and
the beginning of p.9.

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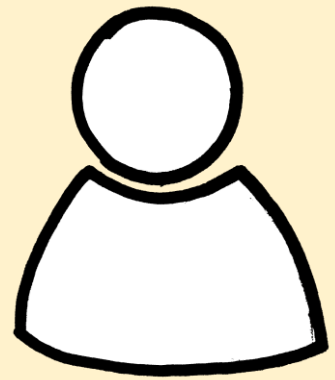


As the vacuum cleaner roared toward him, he did not (for instance) think, here, at last, is my fate come to meet me!

Which phrase is an example of personification?

Why might this be effective?

Solo Work



Do you think it's fair for Flora's mother to dictate what Flora reads? Give reasons for your answer.