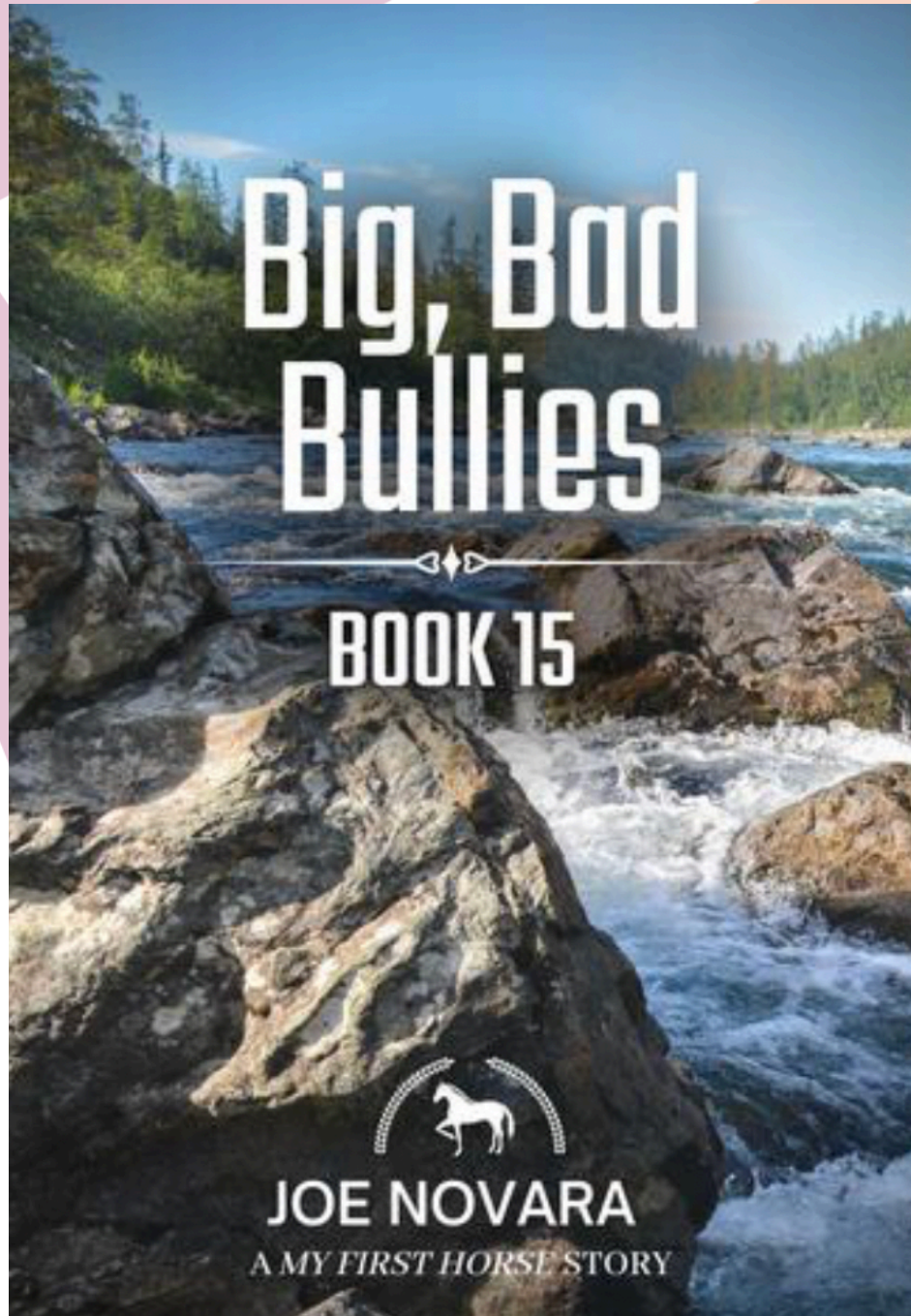


TEACHER RESOURCES & STUDENT ACTIVITIES



How to Use Storyshares Teacher Resources & Student Activities

Pre-Reading

Share **background information**.

Introduce the **vocabulary** to the students. Discuss meanings. Click here for an **instructional routine** for vocabulary.

Reading

Share the written response to reading prompt ahead of time as the **focus for reading**.

Encourage students to **read a chapter** of the text independently or in pairs.

After Reading

Students can complete the **trivia worksheet** or make it into a game! Either way, make time to review answers.

Students complete the **written response to reading** prompt.

Background Information

Zan's summer at Camp Wa-Tonka is full of ups and downs... especially with his school bully, Lazelle, there to pick on him. When a canoeing trip goes dangerously wrong, can Zan and Lazelle learn to cooperate before it's too late?

Visual Vocabulary

This vocabulary guide was created with English language learners in mind. This table flags Tier 2 vocabulary words in every chapter. This guide includes the definitions in context, as well as images and examples from the text.

Trivia Questions

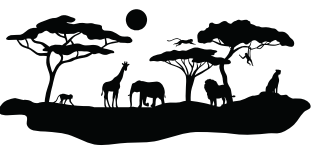





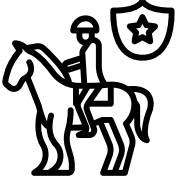

This is a ready-made student worksheet that can be given as a check for understanding after students have finished the book. You can also gamify the trivia questions, making this a small group activity. **Answers: 1. D; 2. B; 3. D; 4. C**



Click [here](#) for reading comprehension worksheets and graphic organizers.



Big, Bad Bullies by Joe Novara

Word	Definition	Image	Example
safari (noun)	an expedition to observe or hunt animals in their natural habitat, especially in East Africa		They faced a man wearing a white safari hat. (ch 1)
towering (adjective)	extremely tall, especially in comparison with the surroundings		He looked up at the towering bully. (ch 1)
launched (verb)	(of a person) make a sudden energetic movement		He got to the end and launched himself head first into the lake. (ch 5)
anchor (noun)	a heavy object attached to a rope or chain and used to moor a vessel to the sea bottom		...grabbed the anchor rope hanging from Big Bernie to hold both of them up. (ch 5)
strokes (noun)	a movement, especially one of a series, in which something moves out of its position and back into it		Nick was silent for several strokes . (ch 7)
current (noun)	a body of water or air moving in a definite direction, especially through a surrounding body of water		He was inching, inching his way against the strong current pushing him back. (ch 7)
mounted (verb)	riding an animal, typically a horse, especially for military or other duty		Mack, Nick, and four other counselors were mounted on the fastest horses. (ch 10)
embarrassed (adjective)	feeling awkward, self-conscious, or ashamed		Would he actually be embarrassed if he saw all the shiny, sharp hatchets... (ch 11)

Name: _____ Date: _____

Multiple Choice

Read the questions carefully. Choose the answer that fits the question best.

1. What strategy did Zan use to deal with the lost fishing rod?

- A. He asked his friends to help him lift the canoe
- B. He hoped it would float back to the canoe
- C. He made a fishing net to retrieve the rod
- D. He decided to dive and retrieve the rod

2. What realization did Zan have about the stone ax head?

- A. It should be displayed in the museum
- B. It belongs where he originally found it
- C. It was worth a fortune at auctions
- D. It was just as useful as modern tools

3. What was Zan's concern after the bear attack on their campsite?

- A. The bear would return and attack them again
- B. Their fishing gear was destroyed
- C. The leftover food was ruined
- D. His insulin needed to be replaced quickly for medical reasons

4. Why did Zan decide to leave the stone ax head where he found it?

- A. It was too heavy to carry back home
- B. He planned to come back later and get it secretly
- C. He felt that historical artifacts belonged in their natural context
- D. He no longer found it interesting after realizing it had no monetary value

Written Response to Reading

How did the outcome of Luat's first aid situation illustrate teamwork and resourcefulness? (*The outcome of Luat's first aid situation illustrates teamwork and resourcefulness by...*)
