



Bayview High

Beating Up Daniel

Chapter 1: Pain in the Neck

Understanding the Text—Comprehension

1. How did the author capture your attention in the first paragraph of the book? (p. 7)

2. What made Mr. Thomas a cool teacher? Would he be considered cool at your school? Why or why not? (pp. 8–9)

3. How do you know that Justin and Jessica’s play was a success? (pp. 8–9)

4. How did the author show you that Justin was slow to mature? (p. 10) Are you or any of your friends concerned about this? Why?

5. Why do you think Justin would not have a chance with Jessica? (pp. 10–11)

6. How does the author show that Justin and John are good friends? Why would the cool guys at school tease them? (pp. 11–12)
