

GRADE SEVEN

DESCRIPTIVE – LEVEL 1

- not cited correctly
- simplistic – basic writing
- undeveloped character
- no logical order/planning not evident
- run-ons/sentence fragments
- limited descriptive language

HOLES

Camp Green Lake is a very inappropriate name for this camp. There is no green anywhere and no lake it is just a dry barren wasteland in the middle of Texas. The boys are sent to Camp Green Lake to dig holes to build character. Really they are searching for Kissin' Kate Barlow's treasure. Mr. Sir is a rude inconsiderate man who treats the boys badly. Mr. Pendanski pretends to be nice and friendly to the boys. Camp Green Lake might have been an appropriate way at rehabilitating young criminals if the staff had not been criminals themselves.

The warden of Camp Green Lake Ms. Walker is a mean person who treats her staff and the boys at camp badly. Mr. Sir had brought Stanley to the warden because he believed that Stanley had taken his sunflower seeds. When Mr. Sir and the warden were talking, the warden came up to Mr. Sir and struck him across the face while her fingernails were still wet from her "special" nail polish. The warden told Stanley her secret ingredient was rattlesnake venom. The warden said "The rattlesnake venom was perfectly harmless, when dry". Mr. Sir's face had three deep gashes on the side of his face. When Stanley and Zero ran off the warden told Mr. Pendanski to erase Zero's files and in a couple days report Stanley missing. The warden is a mean person who treats her staff and the boys badly.

Mr. Sir is very childish and blames other people for his mistakes. After the warden hit Mr. Sir, Mr. Sir blames Stanley. Mr. Sir won't let Stanley have any water while he is out in the hot sun. Mr. Sir asked Stanley "Are you thirsty Caveman". Stanley replied "yes". Mr. Sir took Stanley's canteen and opened the nozzle and let the water splatter on top of the dirt. Then Mr. Sir asked if he wanted more. Stanley didn't reply. So again Mr. Sir let the water splatter on top of the dirt. Mr. Sir is rude and childish about serious matters.

Mr. Pendanski was very rude, especially to Zero, and he had lied about his past. When Mr. Pendanski was having a discussion with Tent D, Mr. Pendanski asked Zero what he was going to do with his life. Zero said nothing.

So Mr. Pendanski said "Zero you are worthless". The warden had asked what Zero learned yesterday? Zero didn't reply. So Mr. Pendanski picked up a shovel and said "Stanley you might as well of tried to teach this shovel to read, its' got more brains than Zero". Mr. Pendanski wasn't actually a doctor. He pretended to be one so he could work at the camp. Mr. Pendanski is a liar and is extremely ignorant to Zero.

Boys were sent to Camp Green Lake to reinstate them. If the staff had not been criminals themselves and only in it for the treasure, the boys might have got the help they needed. The warden is a despicable person, who only cares about herself. Mr. Sir is very childish and blames other people for his mistakes. Mr. Pendanski is very harsh and belittles the boys. Camp Green Lake might have been a suitable way of restoring the boys if the staff had not been crooks themselves.

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DESCRIPTIVE – LEVEL 2

- includes some vivid words
- examples from text
- lots of syntactical errors
- not always obvious it is a character sketch

The Warden Is a Despicable Person

The warden of camp green lake, she was there to rehabilitate young criminals and make them build character. She is cruel to everyone; she is mean to all of her staff and all of the criminals there. She is looking for treasure, that's what she has been trying to do for a long time now, she is a criminal, she wanted to destroy hector zeronies files and leave him out for death.

The warden is making everyone dig while she sits there and waits until they find something for her to keep; the warden was cruel to Mr. Sir when she scratched his face with rattlesnake venom nail polish that she makes on her own, "No he says he stole them but I think it was" – "she stepped toward him and struck him across the face", the warden threatens Mr. Sir and Mr.Pendenski to hurt them and to make them dig with the boys, The Warden makes people dig for her and she is mean to her staff as well.

The warden says she is making the boys dig for character but she is actually looking for something, her great great grandfather Trout Walker owned the lake and it has been in her family's history for years to find that treasure. "You're not looking for anything. Your digging to build character it's just if you find anything the warden would like to know about it" the warden made the boys dig double in X-rays hole because X-ray handed in that golden tube that had KB on it. The boys are digging for character but Stanley thinks she is looking for something,

All of the staff working at camp green lake is criminals. "you sure he has no family"? The warden asked Mr. Pendenski "he's a ward of the state" he was living on the streets when we arrested him" "is there anyone that will ask questions"? Some social worker who took interest in him"? "He had nobody" Said Mr.Pendenski. "He was nobody!" the warden thought a moment "I want you to destroy all of Hectors records and files"; "He was never here!" The staff working at camp green lake is all trying to destroy hectors files so they won't send a search unit around there.

The warden doesn't care about her staff or the children. She is cruel to everyone, she is looking for treasure and making everyone dig for it, the staff at camp green lake is all going to jail because they are criminals. The warden is a despicable person!

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DESCRIPTIVE – LEVEL 2

- weak word choice, length of sentences and variety
- weak opening paragraph but had all the elements needed to lead into rest of paragraph
- well-developed – knows the elements of the description
- simplistic language
- use of quotes not cited

Zero Had Been a Victim of Society

Hector “Zero” Zeroni was a 14-15 year old teenager who was a victim of society. Zero was homeless, which made it easier to destroy his life records. Zero had never been taught to read or write before. Zero had stolen whatever he needed from wherever he could. Zero had been a victim of society.

Zero had been homeless which made it easier to destroy his records at Camp Greenlake. Since Zero was young, he had been living on the streets, his mother just left him. He had been living in a playground in the city. “You know the tunnel next to the swings? That’s where I slept.” When Zero went to the homeless shelter on cold nights, he’d have to pretend that someone else was his mom or else they would make him a ward of the state. It was easy for the Warden at Camp Greenlake to destroy his records because he was alone. He had nobody to support him.

Hector Zeroni is a homeless teen who has never gone to school and is unable to read or write. “I want to learn to read and write. I don’t know how.” Zero had been separated from his mom and was homeless. He had never been to school before therefore he had never had the opportunity to learn to read and write. Once Zero tells Stanley Yelnats, his best friend at the camp, about his problem, Stanley gladly agrees to teach Hector how to read write. For Zero’s whole life he had never had the simplicity to learn to read and write.

Hector was homeless which meant he had no money to buy what he needed, so he stole everything to survive. “We always took what we needed. When I was little, I didn’t even know it was stealing.

I don’t remember when I found. But we just took what we needed, never more.” Zero had no money to buy clothing and food so he had to take stuff that he needed. He never took anything he wanted just what he needed. He grew up stealing so he thought it was okay if he just took a few things. Hector had taken what he needed to survive.

Zero was displaced from his mother and was living on the streets. Zero was homeless with no records, unable to read, and he had been stealing his whole life, not knowing any better, to survive. Zero had been a victim of society.

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DESCRIPTIVE – LEVEL 2

- logical order
- very short text
- sequential
- variety of sentence lengths
- conclusion – brief but effective
- predicatble opening – paragraph too short
- simple plot
- punctuation errors
- understands how to use narrative devices to improve writing
- tone/voice are purposeful

A Bicycle Story

A long time ago in a galaxy just up on Lonsdale Street, I was learning to ride my bike without training wheels.

My dad helped me get the hang of it, so, eventually I was confident enough to ride on my own. My dad got me started on my little green bike. I pedaled and pedaled... and I veered off straight to the left, clipped the side of the van at full speed, hit the ground. My dad ran over to make sure the van was okay.

I had hurt my pride.

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DESCRIPTIVE – LEVEL 3

- effective
- developed paper
- few vivid words
- logical order
- some variety of sentences styles/lengths
- basic vocabulary

The Warden

Camp Green Lake is a place to rehabilitate young criminal boys. They are sent there instead of jail. The Warden, Ms. Walker, treats the boys horribly. Ms. Walker doesn't care about anyone but herself. She would rather get rich than save then help young boys. The Warden is a very despicable person.

The Warden treats the boys badly by making them dig holes all day so she can find the buried treasure. They have to dig holes everyday no matter what the weather conditions are. She tells Mr. Sir and Mr. Pendanski if the boys find anything to hand it in to her, if they think its valuable, then they'll get a day off. In the book Mr. Sir says "You have to dig a hole each day, including Saturday and Sunday. Each hole must be five feet deep, and five feet across every direction. Your shovel is your measuring stick." He also said "No one is going to babysit you, the longer it takes you to dig, the longer you will be out in the sun. If you dig up anything interesting report it to me." Stanley finds a gold tube. He gives it to ZigZag so he gets a day off. She makes everyone dig faster and longer, but nothing else is found.

The Warden doesn't care about her staff or the boys at the camp. She only cares about getting rich. Mr. Sir goes to her with Stanley and he says "While Mr. Sir was filling the canteens, I snuck into the truck and stole his sack of sunflower seeds." The Warden doesn't care about this and tells Stanley to go get her nail polish. She tells him about the secret snake venom in the nail polish. She then slaps Mr. Sir. He screams in pain. In the morning he has scars on the side of his face. "Does anyone see something wrong with my face?" asked Mr. Sir as he was chocking a boy. The Warden usually revolves to violence than anything else.

The Warden is a very nasty person. She would rather take the treasure chest than save two young boys lives. When Stanley and Zero were digging up the chest, she came down to them and noticed the deadly yellow spotted lizards all around them. She said "We wait, it won't be very long." This meant it won't be very long until they get bitten by the lizards and die. She also said "Why aren't you dead yet?" to Stanley. The Warden is a selfish person concerned only about getting the treasure.

Ms. Walker is in charge of the boys that she treats horribly at Camp Green Lake. The Warden doesn't care about the boys. She makes them dig to find treasure. She wanted the deadly lizards to bite them so she could get rich. The Warden at Camp Green Lake is a very despicable person.

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DESCRIPTIVE – LEVEL 3

- well-developed – colourful
- pragmatic tone/voice evident
- language for audience purposeful
- textual – point of view established
- syntactical – some issues
- varied vocabulary

The Warden of Camp Green lake

Ms. Walker is the warden of a juvenile institution called camp green lake. She is so uncaring that she brutally makes kids dig holes all day in the harsh desert conditions. She is so selfish and tries to steal treasure that two boys found while digging their holes. The warden doesn't care one bit about her staff, or the convicts, she only cares about herself and the treasure. Ms. Walker, the warden is a very despicable person.

The warden is an uncaring person because she makes people dig holes all day in the blazing hot sun every day and all day. The warden says it is to build character but she is rely looking for treasure. "You are to dig one hole each day including Saturday and Sunday." The warden also says it is good for you to dig because it builds character. The warden is such an uncaring person because she make people dig holes all day just so she can find a treasure.

The warden is such a despicable person because she tries to steal the treasure from Stanly and Zero. The warden tries to take the suit case from zero and says that they stole it from her cabin when she was

asleep. "You stole it from my cabin and you've been caught red-handed. All the warden lives for is finding the treasure of camp green lake and getting rich.

The warden is a cruel person because she doesn't care about anyone but herself. She is mean and rude to the staff and she rely didn't ever care about them. The boys were working all the time digging the holes but the warden was losing her patience. She jabbed one boy with a pitch because she didn't think they were working hard enough. The warden is a very despicable person because she doesn't treat her staff or the convicts with an ounce of respect.

The warden Ms. Walker runs a juvenile institution to teach boys a lesson but she rely cares less about them, she's after a treasure. She is so cruel she makes boys dig holes all day, she also tries to steal treasure from the boys and she doesn't care about the convicts and her staff. The warden is a very despicable person.

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DESCRIPTIVE – LEVEL 3

- well-developed – colourful language to describe character
- logical order
- pragmatic - tone/voice evident
- purpose explained
- textual - point of view established
- syntactical - few issues

HOLES

Camp Green Lake was a camp where young criminals are sent to build character. They are sent here instead of going to jail. This would have helped build character if the warden wasn't a criminal herself. The Warden of Camp Green Lake made the criminals dig holes in the hot sun every day. The Warden was an unscrupulous person who hurt people if she wanted. She didn't respect the convict's privacy. She put microphones and tiny cameras all over camp. The Warden was a despicable person. She was searching for a treasure and not caring for the convicts.

The Warden made the convicts dig holes in the hot sun every day. "You are to dig one hole each day, including Saturdays and Sundays. Each hole must be five feet deep, and five feet across in every direction. Your shovel is your measuring stick. Breakfast is served at 4:30." "You thirsty?" asked Mr. Sir. "Yes, Mr. Sir" Stanley said great fully. Well you better get used to it. You're going to be thirsty for the next eighteen months." That is what Mr. Sir said to the convicts at Camp Green Lake. He was doing what the Warden told him. She made all the delinquents dig holes in the hot sun parched. This is a cruel way to treat people.

She was a contemptible person and would hurt people if she wanted. She not only hurt the young criminals she hurt her staff as well. "The Warden stepped toward Mr. Sir and struck him across the face. Mr. Sir stared at her. He had three long red marks slanting across the left side of his face. Stanly didn't know if the redness was caused by her nail polish or his blood." "The Warden jabbed at Armpit with her pitchfork, knocking him backward into the big hole. The pitchfork left three holes in the front of his shirt, and three spots of blood." The Warden

physically abused Mr. Sir. and Armpit. The Warden was a vicious person and used violence to control the people around her.

The Warden did not respect the convict's privacy. She put microphones and tiny cameras all over camp. "I wonder how she knew all our names," Stanley said as he walked back to the compound. "She watches us all the time," said Zigzag. "She's got hidden microphones and cameras all over the place. In the tents, the wreck room, the shower. "The shower?" asked Stanley. He wondered if Zigzag was just being paranoid. "The cameras are tiny," said Armpit. "No bigger than the toenail on your tiny toe. The Warden was a sly person who didn't respect the criminal's privacy.

The Warden of Camp Green Lake was the person in charge of rehabilitating the criminals who were sent to Camp Green Lake but all she was interested in was finding the treasure. She was a selfish, snoopy person who only cared about finding the treasure at Camp Green Lake. She hurt people, disrespected privacy and made the young criminals dig holes in the hot sun. The warden of camp green Lake was a despicable person.

GRADE SEVEN

DESCRIPTIVE – LEVEL 4

- well-developed/organization
- vivid description
- logical order
- coherence
- literary devices
- variety of sentences
- examples from text

The warden

Ms. Walker is the warden of Camp Green Lake. She doesn't care about the kids she is supposed to be helping she just wants the treasure. She is very mean to her staff she even hits them. She makes young boys dig holes looking for the treasure, not to build character. The warden is a despicable person.

The warden doesn't care about the kids. She wants them to dig holes and find a treasure. "If you find anything important report it to me or the warden. If it's anything important the warden might give you the rest of the day off." The warden figures if the boys find something it might lead her to where the treasure is buried. She's not really interested in making the boys better people, she just wants the treasure her family has been searching for. The warden doesn't care about the well-being of the boys. She is just interested in the money.

The warden is a very cruel person. She is rude and disrespects the staff and boys at the camp. "She stepped toward him and struck him across the face. Mr. Sir stared at her. He had three long red marks slanting across the left side of his face. Stanley didn't know " if the redness was caused by her nail polish or his blow. She doesn't care if she hurts the staff or children she is only concerned with getting rich. She is in charge of the staff and boys at the camp so she can be as mean and cruel as she wants. The warden is very vicious and contemptible. She doesn't care about the staff. She is brutal and mean.

The warden is very cruel. She makes the boys dig holes in the hot sun to find a treasure, but tells them it is to help them. "If you make a bad boy dig a hole once a day for a long time it will turn him into a good boy." The boys are sent to Camp Green lake by the judge's decision to build character. The warden set up the camp not just to build character but to find the treasure. The warden is selfish and she doesn't care about building character. She just cares about the money.

The warden is a very mean person who hits staff and doesn't care about the kids. She only wants the treasure and she is not there to build the boys character. The warden is a very mean despicable person.