

Loser

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Grades 4-6

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Chapters 1 – 2

Before you read the chapters:

The title of this book is *Loser*. Write a paragraph about how you feel when you hear someone use the term loser.

Vocabulary:

Write the definition for each word below using your dictionary.

a) loser: _____

b) trudge: _____

c) annoy: _____

d) litter (referring to animals): _____

e) constraint: _____

f) heedless: _____

g) trolley: _____

h) giddy: _____

i) hoagie: _____



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Questions:

1. Explain who Zinkoff is.

2. What are home babies?

3. What constraints should there have been?

4. List some constraints you may have at home and/or at school.

5. Why is Zinkoff running away?

Language Activities:

1. a) A **metaphor** is a description that uses a comparison used between two things. There is one example of a metaphor in the first two chapters of the book; see if you can find it.

- b) A **simile** is a comparison of two things using “like”, “as”, “than”, or “resembles”. Find one example of a simile in the first two chapters of the book.



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c) Write one metaphor and one simile that you hear in your daily life.

2. Zinkoff loves to run. Create “Do” and “Do Not” lists listing all the possible rules and constraints for running regularly.

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