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Classroom Cereal

Story 24

Part 5 of 5

Date: _____

“Kettle Cross Christmas”

Part 5 of 5: Ray Charles

Directions

1. Read the story
2. Find the five errors
3. Mark the errors using the key

After what felt like a mile of silence, Raymond finally spoke up.

“Those eighth graders aren’t really my friends,” he said.

Charles slowed down a little kicked at the dirt. “I figured.”

“I’m sorry about your sweatshirt. Wait, you made Fairview’s basketball team? That’s awesome, man!”

“Well,” Charles said, coming to a stop. “Know. My dad bought me this sweatshirt and sewed my name on the sleeve” He kicked a rock into the trees. “I guess I wanted you to think I was on the team.”








Without another word, they kept trudging down the dark dirt path. Soon they came to an old wooden bridge. Underneath was a silvery creek, its steady flowing water fighting off the ice trying to form on its edges. Charles and Raymond leaned against the rail of the bridge and looked down.

“Do you remember how we became friends?” Raymond asked.

“Second grade,” Charles said. “We sat next to each other. Raymond and Charles. Are teacher called us Ray Charles.”

They gazed down into Kettle Cross long enough to see more frost accumulate on the banks. Suddenly, they swore they saw something glittering through the water on the bottom of the creek. Then, when flakes began appearing on the surface and melting into the water, they decided it musta just been the snow. They remembered it was almost Christmas. But instead of thinking about all the new things they might soon be getting, they were just happy in that moment to have an old friend.

Key

-  - Spelling error
-  - Add punctuation
-  - Capitalize letter
-  - Remove word
-  - Wrong word
-  - Move word
-  - Make letter lower case

Checklist

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

Questions

In this story, what were Raymond and Charles both trying to do?

Did they learn any lessons?