

***Whirligig* Reading Comprehension Questions (Chs. 1-2)**

Provide a detailed answer for each of the following questions. Make sure that each of your answers alludes to the question and is phrased in a complete sentence. The first person to complete four answers and yell viva la chapucabra, gets full credit. Use quotes to support your answers and include the page numbers for those quotes.

- 1) Does Brent welcome the move from Atlanta to Chicago?
- 2) Does Brent fit in with his new classmates? Provide examples to support your answer.
- 3) Describe at least two ways that Brent may seem out of place in his new surroundings.
- 4) Describe Brent's relationship with his family.
- 5) What is Brent's greatest problem in chapter one? How does he try to solve this problem?
- 6) Create an alternate solution for Brent's problem (no quotes).
- 7) On page 18, Brent tells himself that he has "absolute power over your own life." What did he mean by this, and is he correct with that statement?
- 8) Why does Alexandra feel as though Steph is in need of help?
- 9) Provide three things that Alexandra believes that Steph must change in order to attract more boys.
- 10) Alexandra proclaims on page 25 that "thoughts are powerful. They're the seeds of events. By thinking something, we can make it happen." At the beginning of the book, would Brent or Lea agree with this statement more? Explain your answer (no pages needed).
- 11) How does Alexandra compare guided imagery to the whirligig?
- 12) Does Steph believe that the whirligig helped to alter her fate?