**Enhancing Reading Resiliency and Independent Comprehension**

In high school, you will be required to read some, if not most, of your novel study texts on your own. This requires reading resiliency and independent comprehension skills. In other words, you need to be able to stick with the reading and to understand the text on a deeper level without continual prompting from the teacher. We are going to dip our toes in this process…

**Your tasks:**

* Read chapters 7 and 8.
* Complete the summary sheets for chapters 7 and 8.
* Complete the vocabulary activity on this sheet.
* Complete a reading quiz on the due date of this assignment. The quiz will test your reading comprehension of chapters 7 and 8.

**Vocabulary in Context Practice**

1. **Word:** mimicking

**Sentence: “**He’d grab one guy’s press hat and another’s camera and walk around interviewing the nurses and mimicking the reporters.” (100)

**Meaning (inference):**

**Reason:**

**Dictionary Definition:**

1. **Word:** bleak

**Sentence: “**Soda was awake by then, and although he looked stony-faced, as if he hadn’t heard a word the doctor had said, his eyes were bleak and stunned.” (103)

**Meaning (inference):**

**Reason:**

**Dictionary Definition:**

1. **Word:** recurring

**Sentence: “**Soda began sleeping with me, and it stopped recurring so often, but it happened often enough for Darry to take me to a doctor.” (110)

**Meaning (inference):**

**Reason:**

**Dictionary Definition:**

1. **Word:** exploits

**Sentence: “**Two-Bit was telling me about one of his many exploits while we did dishes.” (113)

**Meaning (inference):**

**Reason:**

**Dictionary Definition:**

1. **Word:** doggedly

**Sentence: “**Two-Bit knew what I meant, but doggedly pretended not to.” (127)

**Meaning (inference):**

**Reason:**

**Dictionary Definition:**

**Chapters 7 and 8 (Adjusted)**

**Your tasks:**

* Listen to the reading of chapters 7 and 8.
* Complete the summary sheets for chapters 7 and 8.
* Complete the vocabulary activity on this sheet.
* Complete an oral reading quiz on the due date of this assignment. The quiz will test your reading comprehension of chapters 7 and 8.