Who wrote *Hope Was Here*?
Joan Bauer

What does a bus girl do?
She cleaned off dirty tables, brought people water and silverware (p. 1)

What is the name of the diner where Hope first became a waitress?
The Rainbow Diner (p. 1)

Complete this phrase Hope says is used to describe some customers in the restaurant game: “one _____ short of a combo platter”
Taco (p. 1)

When Hope gets her first job as a waitress, whose place does she take?
Bambi Barnes (p. 1)

Who said: “I’m the toughest female you’ve ever seen.”?
Hope (p. 2)

How old was Hope when she first became a waitress?
14 (p. 2)

What was the name of the diner that Hope and Addie worked at in Brooklyn?
The Blue Box (p. 2)

Who does Hope call “Slime Scourge of the Earth” and the “King of Falsehood”? 
Gleason Beal, co-owner of The Blue Box (p. 2 and 21)

What are the two biggest birthday presents Hope has ever gotten?
Getting hired as a waitress and legally changing her name to “Hope” (p. 2)

What is Hope’s aunt’s name?
Addie (p. 2)

In 2 ½ years, how many waitressing jobs did Hope Have?
Three (p. 2)

Where was the Blue Box Diner located?
Brooklyn, New York (p. 2)

Who did Gleason Beal run off with, along with The Blue Box’s money?
Charlene, the night waitress (p. 3)

What did Hope call the sandwich she invented at The Blue Box?
Keep Hoping (p. 3)

List the ingredients of the “Keep Hoping” sandwich.
Smoked turkey, sun dried tomatoes, fresh mozzarella, chopped salad greens, red wine vinaigrette, sourdough roll (p. 3)

Where had Addie and Hope worked before New York?
The Ballyhoo Grill in South Carolina (p. 3)

What does hope always leave behind when she leaves a place?
“HOPE WAS HERE” written real small, someplace significant (p. 3)

What kind of car did Addie drive?
An old Buick (p. 4)

What town are Addie and Hope moving to at the beginning of the story?
Mulhoney, WI (p. 4)

Who is Miriam Lahey?
One of Hope’s two best friends in New York (p. 4)

What disease does G.T. Stoop have?
Leukemia (p. 4)

What does Miriam give Hope when she leaves for Wisconsin?
A NEW YORK FOREVER t-shirt (p. 4)

Who said: “Believe me when I tell you, I know about survival.”?
Hope (p. 5)

How much did Hope weigh when she was born?
2 lbs. 5 ounces (p. 5)

What birthdays did Hope’s mother visit her on?
Fifth, eighth, and thirteenth (p. 5)

What was Addie’s relationship to Hope?
Aunt (p. 5)

On which birthdays did Hope’s mother visit?
5th, 8th & 13th (p. 5)

According to Hope’s mother, what made a good waitress?
Great hands and personality (p. 5)

According to Hope’s mother, what were the pitfalls of being a waitress?
Crazed cooks and being on your feet all day (p. 5)

What is Hope’s mom’s name?
Deena (p. 6)

What was Hope’s original name?
Tulip (p. 6)

What 2 things did Hope’s mom leave her?
Her name, Tulip & her gift of waitressing (p. 6)

Who said: “You need constants in your life.”?
Hope’s mother, Deena (p. 6)
What two gifts did Hope say Deena gave her?
Her gift of waitressing and Tulip, the name she gave her at birth (p. 6)

How old was Hope when she changed her name?
12 (p. 7)

What is Hope’s last name?
Yancey (p. 7)

By age 14, how many schools had Hope attended?
6 (p. 7)

How many scrapbooks did Hope have in the car?
11 (p. 8)

What two books did Hope take to Wisconsin?
Roget’s Thesaurus & Webster’s dictionary (p. 8)

Why did Hope keep scrapbooks filled with her experiences and thoughts on life?
In case her real father showed up – she would share them with him (p. 9)

Name the city where Hope was a Girl Scout?
Atlanta (p. 9)

Who was the only male who made it on Hope and Jocelyn’s Male sensitivity chart for over twelve months?
Harrison Beckworth-McCoy (p. 9)

What items does Hope always take with her when she moves, that have “stood the test of time”?
Webster’s dictionary, Roget’s thesaurus, Replogle globe, 11 scrapbooks (p. 8)

Who said: “It’s more important to get the big concept than to be an expert in the small stuff.”?
Addie (p. 9)

What did Harrison Beckwith-McCoy give Hope as a farewell gift?
A small glass prism (p. 10)

What did Luther eat?
Chef Boyardee Ravioli (p. 10)

What kind of animal was Luther?
An African fighting fish (p. 10)

Who said: “I need you as much as you need me.”?
Addie (p. 12)

Who was the proprietor of the Welcome Stairways diner?
G T Stoop (p. 12)

What is the population of Mulhoney, WI?
5,492 (p. 12)

What was the name of the diner in Wisconsin that Addie is going to run?
The Welcome Stairways (p. 13)

What religious group had the double stairways built into their houses?
The Quakers (p. 13)

Who was the mayor of Mulhoney?
Eli Millstone (p. 13)

What do Hope and Addie do when they first reach the Welcome Stairways?
They wait in the car and read the faces of the people coming out (p. 15)

What color are the stairways leading up to the Welcome Stairways diner?
Red (p. 15)

How many people can sit at the Welcome Stairways counter?
12 (p. 17)

What was on the long shelf behind the counter at the diner?
Every kind of hot sauce known to man (p. 17)

What is Flo’s job at the diner?
Floor manager (p. 18)

Where is Yuri, the bus boy, from?
Russia (p. 19)

What does Hope think is her best feature?
Her pearly white teeth (p. 21)

Describe Hope. (Seven possible)
Pearly white teeth, curly brown hair, perfectly arched eyebrows, round (sweet) face, light blue eyes, 5’3” tall, pale skin (p. 21)

How did GT Stoop move when he was at the grill in the diner?
With the rhythm of the short order dance (p. 24)

What color was GT Stoop’s hair?
He was bald!! (p. 24)

According to Addie, when is the best time to see a diner?
6:30 a.m. (p. 24)

Between G.T. and Addie, who always wore an apron?
Addie (p. 24)

Who said: “I’m pretty adaptable.”?
Hope (p. 25)

How tall was Braverman?
6’4” at least (p. 26)

How did GT Stoop lose his hair? Chemotherapy (p. 26)
What is the name of the waitress with the carrot-top hair?
Lou Ellen (p. 26)

Name the sheriff in Mulhoney, Wi.
Sheriff L. Greebs (p. 30)

What announcement does G.T. make after the Memorial Day parade?
That he was going to run for mayor (p. 31)

Who said: “I’m fifty-four years old. I never once felt the need to rush through life until now.”?
G.T. Stoop (p. 32)

What is the name of the large dairy company in Mulhoney?
Real Fresh Dairy (p. 33)

Where does G.T. think the town should first get the money to start fixing it up?
The back tax revenue from Real Fresh Dairy (p. 33)

Name the largest company in Mulhoney.
Real Fresh Dairy (p. 33)

How much did Real Fresh Dairy owe in back taxes?
¾ of a million dollars/$750,000 (p. 33)

What does the phrase “deep in the weeds” mean in diner language?
“Way too busy” (p. 36)

What is a six-top?
A table that seats six people (p. 38)

What is the name of the local newspaper that Cecelia Culpepper edits?
Mulhoney Messenger (p. 39)

Who was the editor of the Mulhoney newspaper?
Cecelia Culpepper (p. 39)

Who is the sheriff’s deputy?
Deputy Brenda Babcock (p. 40)

Who was the first person to sign G.T.’s petition to get on the ballot?
Pastor Al B. Hall (p. 41)

How many signatures does G.T. need to get on the ballot?
200 (p. 41)

Who is the pastor of GOG?
Pastor Al B. Hall (p. 41)

How many dinner platters can Hope carry on her arm?
Five (p. 42)

What are Hope’s mom’s three rules for every professional waitress?
  1. The customer is always right.
2. The cook is always right.
3. If the customer and the cook disagree, and you can’t settle it, your tip is history (p. 43)

What does Hope write/keep in her “Best of Mom” book?
3 hard & fast rules of every professional waitress, things her mother passed on, Christmas letters (p. 43)

What is the name of the group from Mulhoney High that helps G.T. campaign?
Students for Political Freedom Coalition (p. 48) or Students for Stoop (p. 91)

Who is the president of the Students for Political Freedom Coalition?
Adam Pulver (p. 48)

Who is the owner of the Real Fresh Dairy?
Cranston Broom (p. 52)

What did supporters of Millstone have park outside the Welcome Stairways to send a message to G.T.?
A hearse (p. 55)

How old was Hope when she learned to box?
11 (p. 57)

What hobby did Hope take up in Atlanta that she says saved her life?
Boxing (p. 57)

What does Hope say is the best trait for a father?
Steadfastness (p. 59)

Who was Edgar?
Hope’s stuffed pelican (p. 59)

Name some of the “sitting styles” that Hope saw at the counter.
Ploppers, slammers, sliders, swivelers, flutterers (p. 61)

What occupation is Adam Pulver’s uncle?
Spin doctor (p. 62)

Who is GT’s barber?
Slick Bixby (p. 63)

What word does Yuri point to in his Moving Toward Citizenship book as the “best word”?
Freedom (p. 64)

Who said: “Politics is war.”?
Sid Vole (p. 65)

Who said: “A badly prepared chicken is a gift to no one.”?
Addie (p. 69)

What did GT Stoop plant in his garden?
Trees (p. 70)

How does G.T. preserve his memories of people, places?
He plants trees (p. 71)

Name the types of trees in GT Stoop’s garden.
Oak, dogwood, white birch, Japanese maple (p. 70-71)

Why was Lou Ellen crying?
Her baby was sick (p. 73)

Who convinced the Election Board administrator to give GT Stoop more time to gather names for the petitions?
Pastor Al B. Hall (p. 80)

Who harassed Hope at the Framer’s Market?
The Carbinger boys (p. 83)

Who is Anastasia?
Lou Ellen’s daughter (p. 86)

Who does Jillian think would be perfect for Hope to be with?
Braverman (p. 93)

According to Hope’s mom, who should the waitress never date?
The cook (p. 94)

What happened when Cecelia printed G.T.’s words in the paper?
Real Fresh Dairy (and other advertisers) pulled their ads (p. 101)

Who is the president of Real Fresh Dairy?
Cranston Broom (p. 102)

What did the man and the woman from Michigan “find” in their salad?
A dead mouse (p. 105)

Why was 3 pm Beth Wisocki’s favorite time of the day?
Every bell, gong and cuckoo went off in the Tick Tock Clock Shop. (p. 114)

What happened to Braverman while Hope was with G.T. on the campaign trail?
He got beat up (p. 116)

What did Hope get for Braverman when she went to see him after he was beaten up?
A cactus (p. 117)

What is Braverman’s first name?
Eddie (p. 118)

How many guys beat Braverman up?
Three (p. 118)

How many teens joined Braverman and Hope at the Methodist church picnic?
57 (p. 122)

What was the big news on the mouse front?
No rodents’ hairs in the diner’s kitchen, mouse had been dead at least one week, it couldn’t have come from the diner, and the people had been paid to do the mouse act. (p. 123)
Who said: “Well, sometimes I feel pretty small and the waves around me are big, but I still have this feeling that I'm going to make it to shore.”?
G.T. (p. 125)

What does Braverman give Hope to wear when her mother comes to lift her spirits?
A clown nose (p. 140)

What situation did the clown nose help Hope to deal with?
When her mother showed up after a 3.5 year absence (p. 140)

Where did Hope and Braverman have their trial-run date?
At the diner (p. 151)

When G.T. found out that his cancer went into remission, what did he say to Addie?
That they should get married (p. 155)

What does GOG stand for?
Gospel of Grace (p. 156)

Name the thieves arrested in the burglary of Adam's house.
The Carbiner brothers (p. 156)

What lie about G.T.'s health does the Millstone campaign spread?
That G.T.'s leukemia had gone to his brain and he was lying about the remission (p. 158)

Who won the election?
Eli Millstone (p. 160)

How many votes did G.T. originally lose by?
114 (p. 161)

What percentage of the adult population in Mulhoney voted in the election?
85% (p. 164)

What did Mr. Woldenburg tell Hope about voting?
That he never voted (p. 165)

Who did Hope run into at the grocery store that caused her to realize the election might have been rigged?
Mr. Woldenburg (p. 165)

How many people claimed that they never registered or voted?
120 (p. 166)

What did the frozen teens do at the city hall demonstration?
Sang and shouted and demanded the mayor’s resignation (p. 166-167)

What is G.T.’s full name?
Gabriel Thomas Stoop (p. 168)

What was G.T.’s first act as mayor?
He appointed Brenda Babcock sheriff (p. 169)
What was GT’s second action as mayor? 
He slapped a big fine on the Real Fresh Dairy and gave them 60 days to pay their back taxes. (p. 170)

What was GT’s third action as mayor? 
He married Addie (p. 171)

What school accepted Hope for the fall term? 
Michigan State (p. 177)

Who told Hope she “had her father’s eyes”? 
Mrs. Pettibone (p. 183)

Who was appointed acting mayor to finish the rest of G.T.’s term? 
Brenda Babcock (p. 184)

Where did Hope write “Hope Was Here” at Welcome Stairways? 
Under the counter, above where they kept the honey jar (p. 184)

Who was the new bus boy? 
Michael (p. 185)

What was Yuri’s new position? 
Waiter (p. 185)

How long did Hope have a real father? 
2 years (p. 186)

Name the places that Hope mentions she works: 
Rainbow Diner, Pensacola, FL (p. 1); Ballyhoo Grill, South Carolina (p. 3); The Blue Box, Brooklyn, NY (p. 2), Welcome Stairways, Mulhoney, WI (p. 13), Humdinger Diner (p. 62) 
Also lived in: St. Louis (p. 7), Atlanta (p. 9), Denver, Detroit (p. 89)

Name the Welcome Stairways employees and their jobs at the diner: 
GT Stoop – proprietor (pg 13), Flo – floor manager (pg18), Braverman – grill man supreme (pg 26), Hope – counter waitress (pg 36), Addie – cook (pg 36), Yuri – bus man (pg 76), Lou Ellen – waitress (pg 26)