Who wrote Stanford Wong Flunks Big Time?
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What is the name of Stanford’s English teacher?
Mr. Glick (p. 1)

What time of year does the story begin?
Early summer/end of the school year (June) (p. 1)

What sport does Stanford play?
Basketball (p. 1)

Who said: “Today’s the last day of school, the only school day that I look forward to.”?
Stanford Wong (p. 1)

What grade is Stanford in at the beginning of the book?
Sixth (p. 2)

What is Stanford’s middle name?
Andrew (p. 2)

What is the name of Stanford’s middle school?
Rancho Rosetta Middle School (p. 2)

Stanford plans to go to Alan Scott’s Basketball Camp. What is the motto featured on their brochure?
“Where basketball is not just a game, it’s a way of life.” (p. 2)

Who is Alan Scott?
A professional basketball player (the current top NBA scorer) (p. 2)

What is the name of the summer camp that Stanford wants to go to?
Alan Scott’s Basketball Camp (p. 2)

What grade does Stanford get on his final book report?
F (p. 3)

What does Stanford imagine will be on his tombstone after his father kills him?
Stanford A. Wong, Loving Son, Great Basketball Player, Rotten Student (p. 4)

Who is Yin-Yin?
Stanford’s grandmother (p. 5)

Why isn’t Stanford allowed to go to basketball camp?
He received an F on his final book report for English and may flunk sixth grade, and has to attend summer school (p. 5-6)

Who is Marley?
Stanford’s old friend (they were friends by default because they both sat at the reject table in the cafeteria) (p. 8)
What is Marley obsessed with?
Star Trek (p. 8)

What does Yin-Yin give Stanford for good luck?
A black leather cord with a bright green stone dangling from it/a necklace (p. 9)

What is the name of the basketball team that Digger invites Stanford to join?
The Roadrunners (p. 10)

What town does Stanford live in?
Rancho Rosetta (p. 10)

Name all 5 of the Roadrunners:
Digger, Gus, Stretch, Tico and Stanford. (p. 10)

Who invited Stanford to join the Roadrunners?
Digger (p.10)

Coach Martin tells Stanford to call him if he ever needs someone to talk to and gives him his phone number.
Where does Stanford write it?
On his shoe (p. 15)

How many Barnstormer burgers did Stanford once eat on a dare?
Five, however he threw up on the last one, so his friend Gus only counts four (p. 16)

Why is Stanford’s recreational basketball team called the Roadrunners?
Digger’s father owns Ronster’s Monster RV World, which sponsors the team. At the end of all their commercials, a cartoon roadrunner gets flattened by a giant recreational vehicle (p. 18)

When Stanford tells the Roadrunners about not going to basketball camp, he lies about two things. What are they?
That he got an A in English (instead of an F) and that his dad wants him to work for him this summer (instead of he’ll be going to summer school) (p. 19-20)

What is Stanford’s mother’s name?
Kristen (p. 21)

Which book does Stanford write a book report for that earns him an “F?”
“Holes” (p. 21)

Besides his parents, who else lives with Stanford?
His grandmother, Yin-Yin (p. 22)

What is Stanford’s father’s profession?
Lawyer (p. 23)

What type of TV show does Yin Yin enjoy watching?
Game shows (p.23)

What is Stanford’s secret hobby that calms him?
Knitting (p. 24)
Stanford decides he’ll be a spy when going to summer school, so he doesn’t get caught by his friends. What does SSSSpy stand for?
Super Stealth Stanford Spy (p. 27)

What does Stanford’s code name “SSSSpy” stand for?
Super Stealth Stanford Spy (p. 27)

What nickname does Stanford give Mr. Glick during Summer school?
Teacher Torturer (p. 28)

What is Stretch’s real name?
Steven (p. 30)

Which of Stanford’s friends stopped talking when his voice began to crack?
Stretch/Steven (p. 30)

Which TV show does Stretch and Stanford enjoy watching together?
Sesame Street (p. 31)

Who is Stanford’s favorite basketball team?
The Lakers (p. 33)

What is Silent Slam Ball?
The Roadrunners sit on the grass and throw the ball at each other, trying to knock someone over (p. 36)

Why can’t Yin-Yin drive anymore?
She failed her driving test (p. 39)

Who does Stanford call a “freaky geek-a-zoid genius”?
Millicent Min (p. 40)

Who is Millicent’s Grandmother?
Maddie (p. 40)

Who has a collection of snow globes?
Maddie (Millicent’s grandmother) (p. 41)

Why did Stanford’s dad once make him sit out two basketball games?
Instead of doing the dishes, he threw them away (p. 45)

Who tutors Stanford in English?
Millicent Min (p. 49)

What food does Yin-Yin make for Stanford’s school lunches, which he always throws away out of embarrassment?
Dim sum (p. 51)

What does Millicent always carry?
A briefcase (p. 51)

Where does Stanford agree to get tutored?
The library (p. 52)

Why does Stanford agree to get tutored at the library?
It’s the one place he knows the Roadrunners would never go (p. 52)

What does Stanford make Millicent create in order to get her to promise not to tell anyone about the tutoring? A contract (p. 54)

What school does Stanford’s sister, Sarah, go to (and also his dad attended)? Stanford University (p. 57)

Why can’t Stanford’s sister, Sarah, stay home for the summer? She is attending the Summer at Sea program/studying abroad (p. 58)

What has Stanford always wanted that Sarah thinks she’ll get for him as a souvenir during her Summer at Sea? A sword (p. 59)

What does Vacation Village smell like? Old people’s feet (p. 60)

Where does Yin-Yin get sent to live? Vacation Village (p. 60)

What is outside Yin-Yin’s window at Vacation Village? A tree (p. 61)

What poem is Stanford first tutored on, and then questioned about in class, which he gets right? “Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening” by Robert Frost (p. 65 & 68)

On the fourth of July, what does Stanford’s dad find out about Sarah that he isn’t happy with? She has become a vegetarian. (p. 71)

What is Yin Yin’s favorite candy? Sugar Babies (p.74)

What does Stanford secretly bring Yin-Yin under his shirt while visiting her? A box of Kwan’s frozen Oh My! Shu Mai! (p. 81)

What is Stanford trying to buy when he sees Millicent with a pretty girl? Pimple medicine (p. 84)

When Stanford is trying to buy some pimple medicine, what does he see that causes him to run out of the store? Millicent standing with a pretty girl (p. 84)

Where does Stanford first see Emily? At the drug store with Millicent (p. 84)

What does Mr. Glick do when he reads “The Lottery” to his class? He reads up until something major is going to happen, stops, and assigns the rest of the story to the class to read on their own (p. 86)

What did Stanford do to girls he liked in grade school? He hit them (hit lightly and laugh lightheartedly) (p. 94)

Who does Stanford think girls like the most, of the Roadrunners? Stretch (p. 94)
What is the name of the girl that Stanford saw Millicent with at the drugstore?
Emily (p. 98)

What did Millicent do to Digger to get back at him for throwing food at her in the cafeteria?
She rigged a salt shaker to explode (p. 100)

When they were younger, how did Millicent get back at Digger for constantly throwing food at her?
He rigged a salt shaker to explode, covering him with foam (p. 100)

What craft does Yin-Yin make a lot of at Vacation Village?
Birdhouses (p. 101)

What bet does Stanford have with Yin-Yin?
Either he is going to catch a bad guy first, or she is going to win a big prize. (p. 102)

What is Stanford’s favorite TV show?
Top Cop (p. 102)

What has Stanford promised Yin Yin he will do if she every wins a big prize?
Kiss a girl. (p. 102)

What is Stanford named after?
Stanford University (p. 105)

What is the name of the friend Mr. Glick brings in to talk to the class?
A.C. Griffiths (p. 107)

What is A.C. Griffiths current career?
An author (p. 107)

What was A.C. Griffiths old career?
He worked for the CIA (p. 107)

What does Stanford learn about Mr. Glick when he was a student, which surprises him?
Mr. Glick used to get into a lot of trouble (p. 108)

What grade does Stanford get on his first English quiz?
C-plus (p. 111)

Who says: “A C-plus? Next time try to do better, will you?”
Stanford’s father (p. 112)

What is the name of Vacation Village’s cook?
Ramon (p. 117)

In Stanford’s family, who was born in China and then came over to America?
His great-grandparents (Yin-Yin’s parents) (p. 119)

What day used to be the day that Stanford and his dad would do things together?
Sunday (p. 127)

Where does Stanford’s mother work?
At a think tank (p. 128)

What did Stanford’s parents used to do together when they first got married?
Go dancing (p. 128)

When Stanford first meets Emily, what reason does he give her as to why he and Millicent are at the library?
That he is helping her with her studies (p. 131)

Where does Emily think Millicent goes to school?
She thinks Millicent is home-schooled (p. 132)

Where is Emily from?
New Jersey (p. 134)

Which restaurant does Stanford first get to sit and talk with Emily?
Burger King (p. 134)

How did Millicent and Emily meet?
Playing volleyball (p. 135)

What does Emily make Stanford promise while they are at Burger King?
That he won’t make fun of Millicent for being bad in English (p. 138)

Why does Millicent let Emily think she’s home schooled?
She wants Emily to think she’s normal, not a genius (p. 143)

Why doesn’t Millicent want Emily to know that she is in college?
She wants Emily to think that she is normal so Emily won’t shun her (p. 143-144)

What book does Mrs. Martinez, the librarian, give to Stanford to read?
The Outsiders (p. 145)

What does Stanford start doing after English class?
Staying after and talking to Mr. Glick (p. 154)

What deal does Mr. Glick make with Stanford in order for him to get extra credit?
Stanford needs to read The Outsiders and then talk to Mr. Glick about it. No report and no quizzes. (p. 154)

What game does Stanford want Millicent to teach him, so that he can surprise his dad on his birthday?
Chess (p. 155)

What does Stanford help Millicent with outside the library?
Her volleyball serve (p. 156)

What generation of Chinese-American is Stanford?
Third (p. 157)

What gift does Stanford give Emily at the ice-cream parlor?
His copy of The Outsiders (p. 167)

What does Stanford include on his Emily tattoo?
“Emily,” with a heart around it and some arrows, “Stanford” (in fancy lettering), “forever,” two birds, a birdhouse, date that he first saw Emily at the drugstore, cover of The Outsiders, waffle cone (p. 171)

Why didn’t Stanford like reading Number the Stars? 
It made him uncomfortable and nervous wondering if the girl was going to be sent to the death camp; it made him think about things he didn’t want to think about (p. 174)

Who is the first person that Stanford tells about Emily? 
Stretch (p. 176)

Which of Stanford’s friends is the first to discover that Stanford is going to Summer School? 
Digger (p. 178)

What does Digger want Stanford to do so he won’t tell the Roadrunners about summer school? 
Digger wants Stanford to let him win every time they play basketball (p. 187)

In exchange for not telling the Roadrunners about Stanford going to summer school, what does Digger want in return? 
For Stanford to let him beat him anytime they play basketball (p. 187)

What grade does Stanford get on his Number the Stars book report? 
B-minus (p. 188)

Where does Stanford go to get his haircut to make his dad happy and impress Emily? 
Salon Ferrante (p. 193)

What is the name of the stylist that does Stanford’s hair? 
Mimi (p. 194)

What color does Stanford get put in his hair? 
Purple (p. 195)

How much does Stanford’s haircut and color cost? 
$120 (p. 196)

How does Emily find out that Millicent is tutoring Stanford? 
She finds Millicent’s diplomas and certificates (p. 204)

How did Emily find out that Millicent is actually tutoring Stanford? 
Emily found Millicent’s certificates and diplomas (p. 204)

What does Emily give back to Stanford and Millicent at the library? 
She gives Stanford The Outsiders and Millicent a necklace (p. 205)

Where do the Wongs live? 
Rancho Rosetta, CA (p. 209)

What animal does Stanford start acting like when he gets depressed and frustrated with his life? 
A dog (p. 212)

Which Roadrunner does not dye his hair purple? 
Digger (p. 215)
What TV show do Stanford and Stretch watch together?
Sesame Street (p. 217)

What did Yin-Yin used to want to be?
A pilot (p. 222)

Who does Stanford like listening to on the radio?
Lavender (p. 225)

When Stanford decides to run away with Yin-Yin, what does he take with him?
$114, a flashlight, hair gel, The Outsiders, oreos, Sugar Babies, six cans of tuna, soda, his Holes book report (p. 227)

Who does Emily believe Stanford is tutoring?
Millicent Min. (P.131)

Who said: “I hope you know that I’m rooting for you.”?
Mr. Glick (p. 234)

What is the lowest grade Stanford can get on his final exam and still pass English?
C-minus (p. 235)

What grade does Stanford get on his Holes book report?
B-plus (p. 238)

Who does Stanford end up talking to at the mall about all of his problems?
Coach Martin (p. 240)

What grade does Stanford get on his final exam?
C-plus (p. 243)

Which of his basketball friends does Stanford discover is also going to summer school?
Gus for science (p.245)

Why did Gus go to Summer School?
He failed Science and had to retake it (p. 246)

Who says: “You have always been on the A-Team, with or without basketball.”?
Stanford’s mom (p. 248)

What does Yin-Yin win at the Vacation Village raffle?
13-inch color television (p. 250)

Where does the Rancho Rosetta Labor Day Fiesta always mark the end of summer?
At the Wild Acres Amusement Park (p. 254)

After thinking about it, what did Stanford figure out was the reason he wanted to pass English?
To prove to himself that he could (p. 254)

Who made a bet with the other Roadrunners that he could go through an entire dance with Millicent?
Digger (p. 257)

What are Stanford’s top three favorite foods?
3rd: Fried Chicken (p. 6); 2nd: Hawaiian Delight pizza with Spam and pineapple (p. 190); peanut brittle (p. 260)

Who said: “Zip it up, Digger.”?
Stretch (p. 262)

What awards did Emily and Millicent get at the volleyball awards ceremony?
Emily: Team Spirit award; Millicent: Most Improved Player award (p. 271)
What does Stanford give to Millicent as a way of saying “thank you” for tutoring him?
A copy of his Holes book report (p. 273)

What is the name of the book that Stanford does a book report on twice?
Holes (p.21 and P.273-275)

Where did Yin-Yin admit she actually got Stanford’s pendant from?
Chinatown (p. 278)

What does Stanford give to Emily that causes them to become boyfriend and girlfriend?
His emerald necklace (p. 282)

What animals do the basketball players ride during their fundraising game against the teachers?
Donkeys (p. 283)

Which of Stanford’s games did his father come to?
The Hee-Haw Basketball Game (p. 286)

After the hee-haw basketball game, what deal does Stanford make with Digger?
If Digger leaves Millicent alone, then Stanford won’t tell Digger’s new friends that he had to resort to blackmail to beat Stanford at basketball (p. 286)

What does Stanford’s dad buy him after his game?
A pair of BK620s (p. 290)

What secret good deed does Emily do?
Puts money in parking meters (p. 292)

Why does Emily put money in parking meters?
Her dad used to get lots of parking tickets so she tries to help people out (p. 292)

What news does Stanford’s dad have about his job promotion?
He got the promotion and he turned it down (p. 293)

What are all the things that Stanford wants to tell his dad about his summer?
That Digger wasn’t a true friend; Stretch found his voice; Yin-Yin found a boyfriend; he has a girlfriend named Emily; Millicent is not a total geek; Mr. Glick says Stanford is a smart kid; he loves his dad; him, his mom, Sarah and Yin-Yin are on his dad’s team (p. 295-296)