

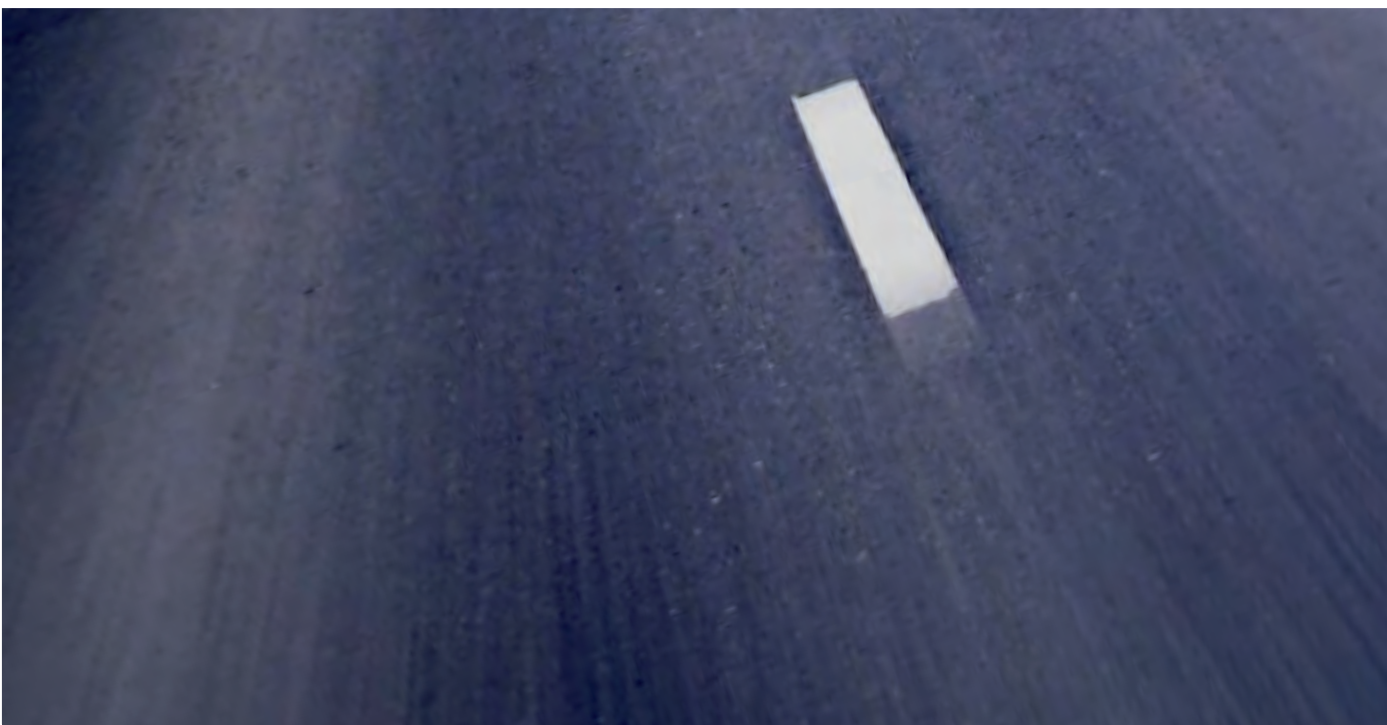
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COVER OF BOOK

YOU CAN'T JUDGE A BOOK BY ITS COVER – OR CAN YOU? LOOK AT THE COVER OF THE BOOK

From looking at the illustrations on the front cover of the book what do think the book is about?

Do you think this book would appeal to boys, girls or both? Why?

Read the blurb on the back of the book. What do you think is going to happen in this book?



The author of the novel is: _____

The book was published by: _____

The book was published in the year: _____

The place the book was published: _____

The illustrator of the book is: _____

Number of pages in the book: _____

Number of chapters in the book: _____



CHAPTER 1

1. When did it all start? _____
2. Why did Robbie have to bring Lucky on a walk? _____
3. What word did Robbie's mother not like him saying? _____
4. Why did Lucky run out onto the road? _____
5. What happened to Robbie? _____
6. How did Robbie feel? _____
7. What was Robbie's nickname for the doctor? _____
8. What was Ellie doing with Robbie's finger? _____
9. What football team did Robbie support? _____
10. What was the name of Ellie's toy? _____

ACTIVITY

Write something about the characters in the novel.

- Robbie _____

- Robbie's mother _____

- Tracy _____

- Robbie's father _____

- Lucky _____

- The Doctor _____

- Ellie _____



1. Who is Robbie's teacher? _____
2. What is the name of the book that Robbie's father reads to him?

3. What is Robbie's head teacher's name? _____
4. What TV show did Robbie's father get a small time part on?

5. What did Robbie's father want to do? _____
6. Who is Robbie's best friend? _____
7. What did Robbie's school friends send him? _____
8. What game did Robbie win only once and how did he win? _____

9. How did Robbie's father feel? _____
10. What did Robbie think about when he was in bed?

ACTIVITY

As we read each chapter we often wonder about what will happen. After reading this chapter make a list of things you wonder about. You will find the answers to the questions as you read the novel.

I wonder if ...

What happened

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| I wonder if the dog is dead | _____ |
| I wonder if _____ | _____ |
| I wonder if _____ | _____ |
| I wonder if _____ | _____ |
| I wonder if _____ | _____ |
| I wonder if _____ | _____ |



CHAPTER 3

1. What was Robbie thinking about? _____
2. What was sad about Marty? _____
3. What was Ellie moaning about? _____
4. What was Robbie's father's new job? _____
5. What surprise did Robbie get? _____
6. What did Robbie want to happen? _____
7. Who gave Robbie his bed bath? _____
8. What did Robbie wish? _____
9. Who wanted to dance a Highland fling? _____

ACTIVITY

Robbie's diary

Imagine that you are Robbie.

Write about what has just happened to you and your family.



1. How long has Robbie been in a coma now? _____
2. What is the name of the hospital he is in? _____
3. What does Ellie think about Robbie? _____
4. What did Robbie say there had better be in heaven? _____
5. What did Robbie love before the accident? _____
6. What does Robbie compare himself to? _____
7. Why is everybody whispering in the hospital? _____
8. What is the name of the footballer and his jersey number? _____
9. What team does the footballer play for? _____
10. Where do you think the footballer is from? _____
11. How did Robbie's father contact the footballer? _____

ACTIVITY

Write the conversation that might take place between Robbie's mum and dad that night.

Mrs. Ainsley _____

Mr. Ainsley _____

Mrs. Ainsley _____

Mr. Ainsley _____

Mrs. Ainsley _____

Mr. Ainsley _____

Mrs. Ainsley _____

Mr. Ainsley _____

Mrs. Ainsley _____

Mr. Ainsley _____



CHAPTER 5

1. What is a mind-mail? _____

2. What does Robbie want to show Dr Smellybreath? _____

3. How did Robbie test the mind-mail communication?

4. What did Tracey do to make Robbie happy?

5. What did Robbie think got his mum and dad together again?

6. What did Robbie think his mum and dad were going to tell him?

7. What did Robbie's mum and dad tell him was happening?

8. What scene did Robbie remember from the back garden?

9. Why did Robbie feel sad when he remembered Lucky skittering off after that cat?

10. What song was Tracey singing? _____

**ACTIVITY**

Write a sentence and draw a picture describing each of the following characters:

Robbie: _____

Tracey: _____

Mrs. Ainsley: _____

Mr. Ainsley: _____

Lucky: _____



CHAPTER 6

1. Who did Robbie try to send mind-mail messages to, but could not reach? Why?

2. What is Robbie missing? _____
3. What did Robbie's mum promise? _____
4. Describe Robbie's dream.

5. Who did Robbie's dad smuggle into the hospital? _____
6. What did Ellie lend to Robbie? _____
7. Why is Dr Smellybreath peering at Robbie? _____
8. What miracle did Lucky perform? _____
9. Does Lucky know what he did? _____
10. Why is the whole world smiling? _____

ACTIVITY

Choose your favourite and least favourite character in the book so far.
Give reasons and draw pictures of the characters.

Favourite Character:

Reason: _____

Picture:

Least Favourite Character:

Reason: _____

Picture:



**WRITE A REVIEW OF *COOL*
USING THE QUESTIONS BELOW TO GUIDE YOU.**

- Who wrote the book and when was it first published?
- Where and when does the story take place?
- What happens in the story?
- Who are the main characters and who is your favourite character?
- What did you like or dislike about this book?
- What mark would you give the book out of ten?
- Would you recommend this book?
- Who would you recommend this book to?

MY REVIEW



