

KID APPEAL: Part 2 (pp. 9-18)
David Lubar (Audio *Kid-Appeal-AUDIO.mp3*)

❖ **A. Find the following sentences and expressions in the text, highlight them. Fill in the blanks. Translate.**

1. "Hey – we don't need to get all three judges to like us.
Just two of them would be _____ for us to win."

2. "We have to go with one judge," I said on Thursday.
"Meat, chocolate, or Sports. We'll just have to hope
one of the other judges likes our project, too."
"I _____ for Chocolate," Dwight said.

3. "Score!" Mom had gone shopping the other day, and
she'd bought a _____ stack of chocolate
bars. I pulled them out. "We can make something.
How about Joshua Sterling's cabin?"

4. I _____ downstairs and switched on
some heat,

5. I opened the door to the spare room and
_____ back as a blast of warm air hit my
face. Really warm air. *Oh no...*
The _____ room was right above the
furnace. I looked at the table. Joshua Sterling's cabin
was now Lake Sterling.

6. "We don't need _____. We have real bandages." I dragged a box from the shelf and _____ it to Dwight. "Wrap me up."

7. Halfway down the block, Dwight _____ me the extra box of bandages. "Here, hold this so I can get a good shot of you." I took the box and Dwight held up the video camera.

8. I glanced down at the Box through the slits. According to the label, they were STAY-STUCK BRAND _____ BANDAGES. *Adhesive?* Below, a bit smaller it read: WITH SUPER HOLDING POWER THAT NEVER LETS GO.

9. I _____ and stepped off the curb, which made me _____ a couple more steps on my stiff legs. A car whizzed toward me.

10. I tried to spin out of the _____. Luckily I didn't get hit. The car just nicked my finger as it shot past.

11. The rear bumper had snagged the end of the _____ from the tip of my finger. I guess the driver was still on the phone, because he didn't seem to _____ he was pulling me down the road.

12. After my arm got _____, my body started to unwind. That made me spin.

13. I was spinning, _____, and skittering across the hard asphalt. Oh yeah and screaming. Especially when the unwinding reached my head and I felt my _____ get ripped off.

14. I'd been _____ like an apple. No, more like a tomato. I looked like I had the worst case of sunburn the world had ever seen. The whole top layer of my skin was gone. It was a thin layer, but I had been kind of attached to it. The pain kicked in. That's when I _____ out.

15. "Well, the chocolate lady and the sports guy both _____ up and ran out of the room right after you got _____. But the butcher loved the whole thing. So, like you said, you _____ to one judge." Dwight paused, frowned, then said, "Wait... peeled... appealed. I think there's some kind of connection.

16. "Since the butcher was the only one left to _____, we won first prize.

17. You'd probably get us kicked out five minutes after we got there. No _____. You're a good friend and all. You're _____. You're _____. But you have to admit, you're sort of an idiot.

❖ **B. Order the sentences:**

- ☐ The friends decided to try to appeal to only one judge: the chocolate lady.
- ☐ They made Joshua Sterling's cabin out of chocolate bars.
- ☐ The narrator discovered that the bandages were adhesive.
- ☐ The car kept pulling the narrator down the road, as the bandage started to unwind.
- ☐ The chocolate cabin melted, because it was too hot in the room.
- ☐ The narrator had been "peeled": the top layer of his skin was gone.
- ☐ The narrator felt cold at night, so he turned on the heat.
- ☐ Dwight tried to take a picture of the "mummy" with his video camera.
- ☐ A car passing by snagged the end of the bandage from the narrator's finger.
- ☐ Dwight visited the narrator at the hospital.
- ☐ Dwight wrapped the narrator up in bandages to look like a mummy.
- ☐ The narrator found out that Dwight's video of the "mummy" had received first place.
- ☐ The narrator found out that Dwight had chosen Zeke to go with him to Splashtastic Park.

❖ **C. Give a short oral summary of the story so far (be prepared to recite the sentences above and comment on how the pictures below relate to the story).**



❖ **D. Listen to audio *Kid-Appeal-Audio.mp3* and follow along in the text. Pause the recording after each expression below and mark the time (both in the chart below and in the margins of the text).**

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| • <i>Absolutely. We're totally going to make an awesome project.</i> | • <i>Each box had something ridiculous, like 200 yards.</i> |
| • <i>We headed off for the comic book store.</i> | • <i>According to the label, they were stay-stuck brand adhesive bandages.</i> |
| • <i>Maybe we're making it hard</i> | • <i>Before I could sigh in relief, I was yanked off my feet.</i> |
| • <i>We can't get distracted.</i> | • <i>I yanked my hand back, hard.</i> |
| • <i>We have to go with one judge</i> | • <i>I was spinning, staggering, and skittering across the hard asphalt.</i> |
| • <i>But let me build it.</i> | • <i>The car made a right turn.</i> |
| • <i>I told you I'd do my best to work the day before something is due.</i> | • <i>I was too dizzy to move.</i> |
| • <i>I gave myself a pretty bad stomachache.</i> | • <i>That's when I passed out.</i> |
| • <i>I was burning hot.</i> | • <i>How does it look like I'm doing?</i> |
| • <i>He grinned and held up a video camera.</i> | • <i>Then he edited everything down to the highlights.</i> |
| • <i>I stared at the puddle of chocolate.</i> | • <i>I think there's some kind of connection.</i> |
| • <i>We'll have a living, walking mummy.</i> | • <i>No offense.</i> |
| • <i>I figured she'd have a problem with Dwight and me cutting up her sheets,</i> | • <i>Well, I'd like to hang around</i> |
| • <i>We had big boxes of everything from garbage bags to detergent.</i> | • <i>I wondered whether I could grind them up and sell them for medicine.</i> |

❖ **E. Write about a time when someone betrayed a friend (it might have been something small – like they hadn't invited this friend to a party). Write at least 5 sentences.**