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Instructions: Choose a character from the story. Write the character's name on the line at the top of the page. Describe the character's thoughts, feelings, actions, and so on in the spaces below. On the back of the page, record what you can conclude about this character on the basis of the information you have gathered.

Character _____

Character's thoughts

Character's feelings

Character's actions

Character's words

Others' reactions to character



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Instructions: Add the missing quotation and punctuation marks in each paragraph.

Good morning, Mrs. McGuinness. I held up my handmade press badge. I'm Noni Lopez, staff reporter with the *Whitmore Weekly*, and this is Miguel, the coeditor. Would you be willing to comment on the whereabouts of the Sergeant Rotten Teeth Series?

We had a parent complain about the series, so I pulled the books until they can be reviewed more closely.

What about our First Amendment rights? I asked

Well, school boards have the power to determine which books belong in public school libraries. Last year, Deerfield removed *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* because their review board didn't like the language and felt that it wasn't inclusive for all readers. All kinds of people, from all different perspectives, want to remove books for a variety of reasons.

But that's a classic Miguel said just like Sergeant Rotten Teeth.

Can we talk to the parent? I asked.

No she said but you can contact the school book review committee—they'll give the books a hearing so that everyone can share their views.

Miguel sighed. You're the librarian; can't you just make them keep Sergeant Rotten Teeth?

It's not up to me Mrs. McGuinness said with a smile but I'm glad you're taking an interest.

Miguel and his coeditor, Ashley, stormed into the Monday newspaper meeting, arguing as usual.

The Sergeant Rotten Teeth books are the best books ever written! Miguel shouted.

I hadn't read them, but I knew they featured a less-than-superhero with decaying teeth who vanquishes bad guys with his bad breath—not exactly my cup of tea.

Are you kidding me? Ashley huffed. The pictures alone made my mom and me want to barf.



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Instructions: Match words from the left-hand column with words from the right-hand column to create compound words from *Noni and the Book Ban*. Then, write the compound words on the lines to the right. Choose two compound words and write two original sentences that include them in the space provided.

every	book
news	noon
mid	made
web	one
after	selves
tooth	work
our	lines
home	paper
side	night
note	page
hand	brushes

everyone

My Sentences:

1. _____

2. _____