

Ms. Bixby's Last Day

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1. What did Steve tell Topher and Brand in the used-book store?
A shark was in the toilet.
2. What did Topher believe about grown-ups?
Grown-ups said what they thought children wanted to hear.
3. What had happened with Topher and Steve every year at school?
They had always been in the same class.
4. What did Brand hold up when he met with Steve and Topher?
He held up a stemmed glass.
5. What did Rebecca Roudabush do to Steve to make him scream?
She infected him with cooties by licking her hand and rubbing it in his face.
6. Why did Topher become mad at Brand?
Brand had taken Topher's sketchbook. He wouldn't give it back. The boys struggled and then it was torn in half. Topher has drawn a picture of Ms. Bixby inside.
7. What did the boys and Brand's father do the day Ms. Bixby died?
They went out for dessert.
8. What happened to the stemmed glass at the park?
Brand realized that the stemmed glass was broken. The stem was intact, but the cup part was shattered. It probably happened when Brand had hit George Nelson on the head with his pack.
9. What did the boys order at McDonald's?
They ordered fries and water
10. Why was Steve's father upset with Ms. Bixby?
There was a B on Steve's report card
11. What did Ms. Bixby tell Topher about?
She told him about a girl who had written poetry on scraps of paper.
12. What did Brand remember about Ms. Bixby?
He remembered the time she had given him a ride during a snowstorm.
13. What happened to Steve the day Ms. Bixby shared her diagnosis?
Steve sat on a ketchup packet.

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14. What happened while the boys were in the used book store?
They missed their bus.
15. What was Ms. Bixby's interest that she shared with the class?
She had an interest in being a magician.
16. What did Topher know about Steve's parents?
He knew that they fought a lot. He called them helicopter parents.
17. What did the boys give to Ms. Bixby that made her happy?
Fries
18. Why did the boys go to Michelle's?
They wanted to buy white chocolate raspberry supreme cheesecake for Ms. Bixby. It cost \$54.90 for the whole cake or \$7.99 per slice. They only paid \$25.
19. What did Topher remember about Ms. Bixby?
He remembered the time he saw Ms. Bixby take his paper out of the recycling tub.
20. What did Principal McNair inform the class about?
He told the class that Ms. Bixby recorded a video message.
21. What happened with George Nelson?
The boys gave him money to buy a bottle of wine for Ms. Bixby. He took off with all their money. The boys fight with him. Brand hit him on the head with his pack. The boys convince him they had recorded the fight.
22. Why did Brand wait for Ms. Bixby at the corner?
Brand did not want his father to know that Ms. Bixby took him grocery shopping.
23. What did George Nelson do at the liquor store?
He ran off with the boys' cash.
24. According to Christopher how many kinds of teachers are there in the world?
6 – Zombies, Caff-Adds, Dungeon Masters, Speilbergs, Noobs, and the Good Ones.
Ms. Bixby was one of the good ones.
25. Where did Topher meet Ms. Bixby?
He met her at the circus where she was an amateur juggler.
26. According to Ms. Bixby, what is the greatest gift you are ever given?
Imagination

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27. What quote was on the board the day Ms. Bixby told her class she had Pancreas cancer?
Things are never as bad as they seem.
28. How old was Ms. Bixby when she died?
35 - Margaret Eleanor Bixby died in Boston from complications in surgery to remove a tumor from her cancer.
29. What book did Ms. Bixby read to the boys as they sat on the blanket in the park?
The Hobbit
30. Why did Brand give Ms. Bixby a carnation?
Carnations aren't quitters.
31. Who catches the three boys skipping school?
The other six grade teacher – Mr. Mc Elroy.
32. How did the boys find out the address and room number to the hospital for which Ms. Bixby was staying?
The class made her get well cards and Steve took them all to the office and memorized the address on the envelope.
33. Why did Topher and Steve call Brand Shakespeare?
Brand made up his own words just like Shakespeare. He likes to makeup words or abbreviate them or change them somehow.
34. Who was the substitute teacher that took Ms. Bixby's place?
Ms. Brownlee
35. What was the best thing about Ms. Bixby according to Brand?
The way she listened to you.
36. What did Steve win an award for?
For being able to name every country in the world along with their capitals populations and official languages.