

“The Black-Eye-of-the-Month Club” pages 1-6

Why is Junior a member of ‘the Black-Eye-of-the-Month Club’?

Why does Junior draw cartoons? What do the first two cartoons depict? What does this tell us about Junior?

“Why Chicken Means So Much to Me” pages 7-13

What does Junior identify as the worst thing about being poor?

Arnold says, “And hey, in a weird way, being hungry makes food taste better” (Alexie 8). What does this statement show us about Junior?

What happens to Oscar? What does this illustrate to the reader?

How is poverty a cycle for Junior’s family?