

DISCUSSION AND ACTIVITIES TO ACCOMPANY Chapters 6-8 of OVERBOARD

Information for Teachers and Caregivers:

Overboard is a story about three young people who must fight to survive both the elements and their relationships with each other.

Tanner's dad charts a boat in the Bahamas to bring together his two kids and the boy who is to become their stepbrother. But they are caught in a storm, the Sparta is damaged with Dad and the Skipper onboard, and the kids must survive on a life raft until help comes.

You might want to read the instructions with your learner. The "Things to Talk about" might be discussed with a caregiver, teacher or another student or written down. But relax on the spelling and conventions! The whole point is to get students understanding and thinking about their reading.

If your child is interested in reading the rest of the book, **OVERBOARD** may be ordered from High Interest Publishing (www.hip-books.com).

Some Things to Talk about...

In this section of the story, three kids have to get on a life raft after their boat (the Sparta) capsizes. Tanner and his little sister Amy don't like Cory at all. But the three of them have to work together to survive.



1. In what ways does Cory act like a jerk?
2. What event shows that maybe he isn't so bad after all?
3. Why do you think Cory calls Tanner "Mr. Perfect" (page 46)? Is Tanner so perfect? Why or why not?
4. Which supplies on the life raft will be most important? Explain why.

Something to do...

Print and complete the TITLE TALES organizer.



TITLE TALES

A good title gives a hint about what the chapter is about without giving away all the details. It is intended to help readers predict and get them interested in reading more.

This organizer asks you to do three things:

- Write the title of each chapter
- Tell whether you think this is a good title and explain why or why not.
- Make up a new title for each chapter.

	OLD CHAPTER TITLE	GOOD TITLE? WHY/WHY NOT?	YOUR NEW CHAPTER TITLE
Chapter 6			
Chapter 7			
Chapter 8			



