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Book Activities – **I Survived The Joplin Tornado, 2011**

**Part 1: Compare and Contrast**

**Give at least 1 way Jeremy and Dr. Gage are alike and at least 1 way they are different. Use chapter 7 and any other pages in the book to help you.**

One way Jeremy and Dr. Gage are alike is: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Oneway they are different is that:

Jeremy: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Dr. Gage: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Part 2:** **Visualization - Draw a picture to go with each box of text below.**

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| Pg. 13- Dex looked over at Dr. Gage’s vehicle, which he recognized now from the show. It was a bright red SUV with thick tires and a forest of antennas sprouting from the roof. It looked more like a tank than a regular car. |
| Pg. 59 – The rest of the roof flew off of the garage, blew up into thousands of pieces, and was sucked up into the sky. A storm of wood and metal and leaves churned all around them. A lawn mower dropped out of the sky. |
| Pg. 66- The garage building was now a heap of crushed concrete. Smashed cars were scattered all around. One had been wrapped around a tree. Downed electrical wires hissed like fiery snakes. A tricycle hung from a branch of a naked tree. |
| Pg. 75-76 – The streets were filled with downed wires and splintered telephone poles. The trees that had shaded him on hot summer days were now naked sticks, their leaves and branches carpeting the ground. Car and trucks were everywhere but parked in driveways. They were crushed in the middle of the street, flipped upside down, wrapped around poles. |

**Part 3: Figurative Language** – Use the page numbers and the book to find examples of each type of figurative language listed in the chart below.

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| **Page Number** | **Type of Figurative Language** | **Example** |
| 2 | Simile |  |
| 15 | Simile |  |
| 28 | Metaphor |  |
| **Page Number** | **Type of Figurative Language** | **Example** |
| 37 | onomatopoeia |  |
| 41 | simile |  |
| 56 | personification |  |
| 62 |  personification  |  |
| 65-66 | simile |  |

**Part 4: Context Clues – Use the context clues in the sentence to figure out the underlined words.**

1. Pg. 9 – He said a quick good-bye, afraid he was going to start **blubbering** in front of the twins.

Blubbering means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Part of Speech: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Pg. 59 – He watched in horror as the tornado’s chainsaw winds **pulverized** the garage. The cars parked in front bounced across the lot.

Pulverize means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Part of Speech: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Pg. 65- He sat up, **wincing** in pain as he spat out mouthfuls of dirt and grit. He wiped away the layer of mud and snot and blood that covered his face. And slowly the world around him came into focus.

Wincing means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Part of speech: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Part 5:**  Cause and Effect

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| Cause | Effect |
|  | p.11 – Dex falls of his bike and hits the pavement. |
| p.46 – A huge hailstone smashed into Dex. |  |
|  | p.56- The car skidded around in a circle on the road. |
| p.61 – The window next to Dex shattered. |  |
|  | Pg. 67 – The car did not get sucked up into the sky. |

**Part 6:** **Making Connections– Choose either choice A or choice B to respond to on the provided lines below.**

1. If you heard that a tornado was on its way to your town, what steps would you take to be safe?
2. Write about a time you were actually caught in a tornado.

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