



ESCAPE THE GREAT CHICAGO FIRE WITH OSCAR AND JENNIE

Imagine you and Oscar are standing side by side, watching in terror as a flaming wooden beam crashes through the roof of Jennie and Bruno's house! To help Jennie and Bruno escape the fire, answer questions 1–4, then solve question 5 by using the numbers under the letters to spell an important phrase from the book. (Need a hint? Use the page numbers to find the word in the novel.)

- As houses all around you *burst into flames*, you and Oscar break down the door and run upstairs towards Jennie and Bruno's cries for help. What do you pull over your mouth and nose to try and block out the smoke? (pg. 39)

_____ 1 _____ 2 _____ 3

- You and Oscar free Jennie and Bruno as quickly as you can! Then you all run for the front door. Jennie and Bruno make it out but just as you and Oscar get there, *a window explodes in a giant ball of fire and red-hot _____ fly into the room.* (pg. 41)



_____ 4 _____ 5 _____ 2 _____

- As you and Oscar lie on the ground, it feels as if *you are being attacked by a monster with burning tentacles and boiling breath*. You start crawling as best you can, but it seems you are trapped in a... (pg. 42)

_____ 6 _____ 7 _____ 8 _____ 8 _____ 7 _____ 5

- Then suddenly, you hear a _____ directing you through the fire—"This way! Turn right! Yes! Hurry!"—and you and Oscar finally escape to safety just as the house explodes with a terrifying WHOOOOOSH! You are safe...for now. (pg. 43)

_____ 9 _____ 10 _____ 4 _____ 5

- Use the numbered letters above to spell a phrase that that echoes in Oscar's mind throughout the book (you'll figure out the first letter yourself):

_____ 7 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____ 1 _____ 10 _____ 9 _____ 5 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ 1 _____ 5 _____ 6 _____ 7 _____ 2 _____ 8

ANSWERS: 1) shirt; 2) cinders; 3) flaming maze; 4) voice; 5) watch over the farm