

Being a Reader™

SECOND EDITION

STUDENT RESPONSE BOOK



Excerpt from *Sheila Rae, the Brave*

by Kevin Henkes

Name: _____

Sheila Rae heard frightening noises. They sounded worse than thunder.

She thought horrible thoughts.

They were worse than anything she had ever imagined.

"I am brave," Sheila Rae tried to convince herself. "I am fearless."

The sounds became more frightening.

The thoughts became more horrible.

Sheila Rae sat down on a rock and cried.

"Help," she sniffed.

She thought of her mother and her father and Louise.

"Mother! Father! Louise!" she cried.

"Here I am," a voice said.

"Louise!" Sheila Rae hugged her sister.

"We're lost," Sheila Rae said.

"No, we're not," said Louise. "I know the way home. Follow me!"

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Dialogue in *Jamaica Tag-Along*

by Juanita Havill

Name: _____

Read the dialogue aloud. Use your voice to express how Jamaica and Ossie feel.

Ossie: I'm going to shoot baskets with Buzz.

Jamaica: Can I come, too? I don't have anything to do.

Jamaica: I almost made it. Can I be on your team, Ossie?

Ossie: No. N-O, Jamaica. I told you not to tag along.

Jamaica: It's not fair. You let Maurice play.

Ossie: We need two on a team. Why don't you go play on the swings and stay out of the way?

Jamaica: I still think it's not fair.

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My Text-to-Self Connection to *The Invisible Boy*

Name: _____

Write about a text-to-self, or personal, connection to *The Invisible Boy* by Trudy Ludwig. Include the title of the story and the author's name in your paragraph. Then draw a picture about your connection.

My Favorite Part of *The Invisible Boy*

Name: _____

Tell about your favorite part of *The Invisible Boy* by Trudy Ludwig and then explain why it is your favorite part. Include the title of the story and the author's name in your paragraph. Then draw a picture of your favorite part.

Write about a text-to-self connection you made to your IDR book. If you did not make a connection to your book, write about a part of the book you enjoyed.

I read the book _____

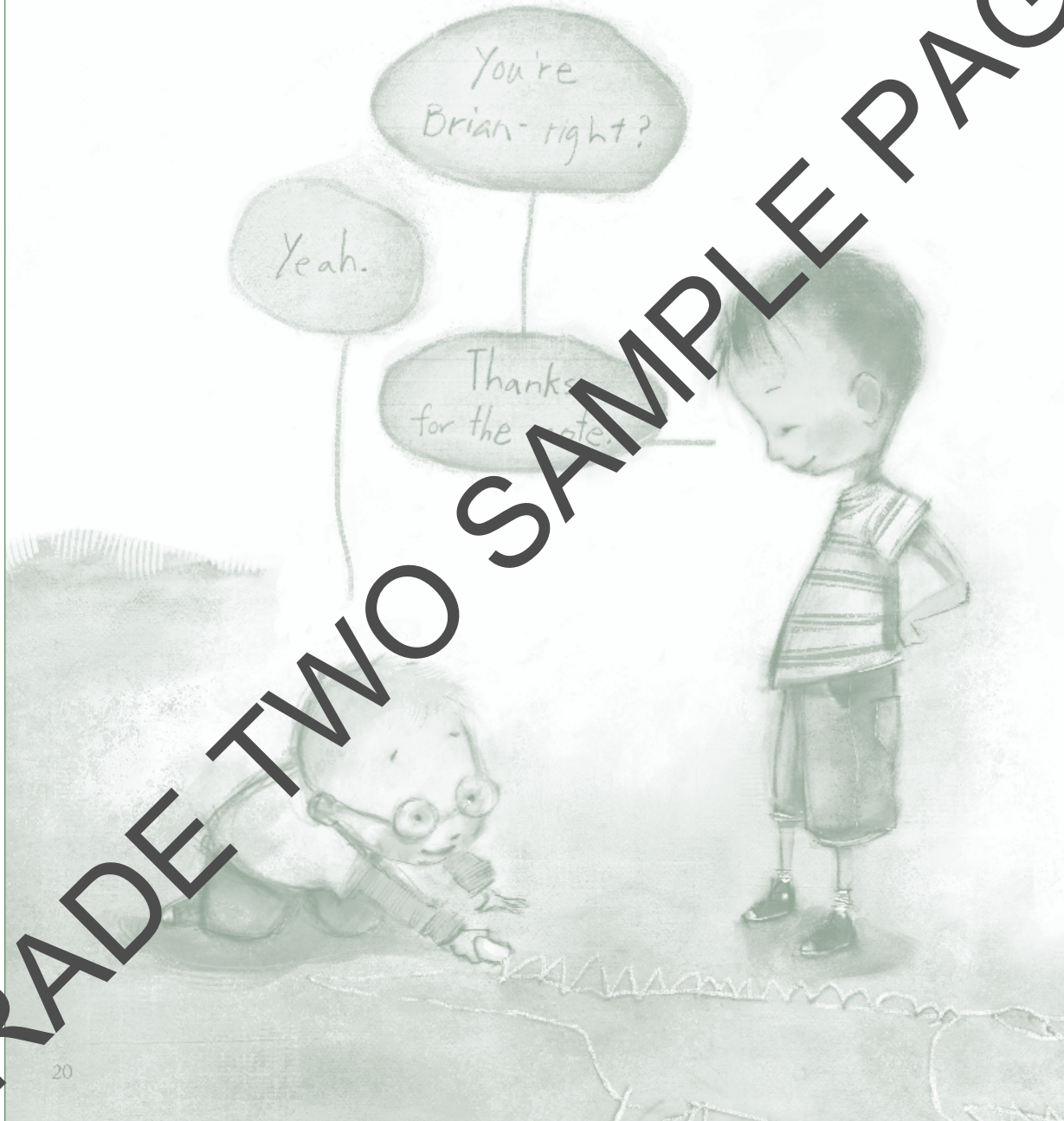
by _____

The book is about _____

The story reminds me of my own life because _____

A part of the book I enjoyed was _____

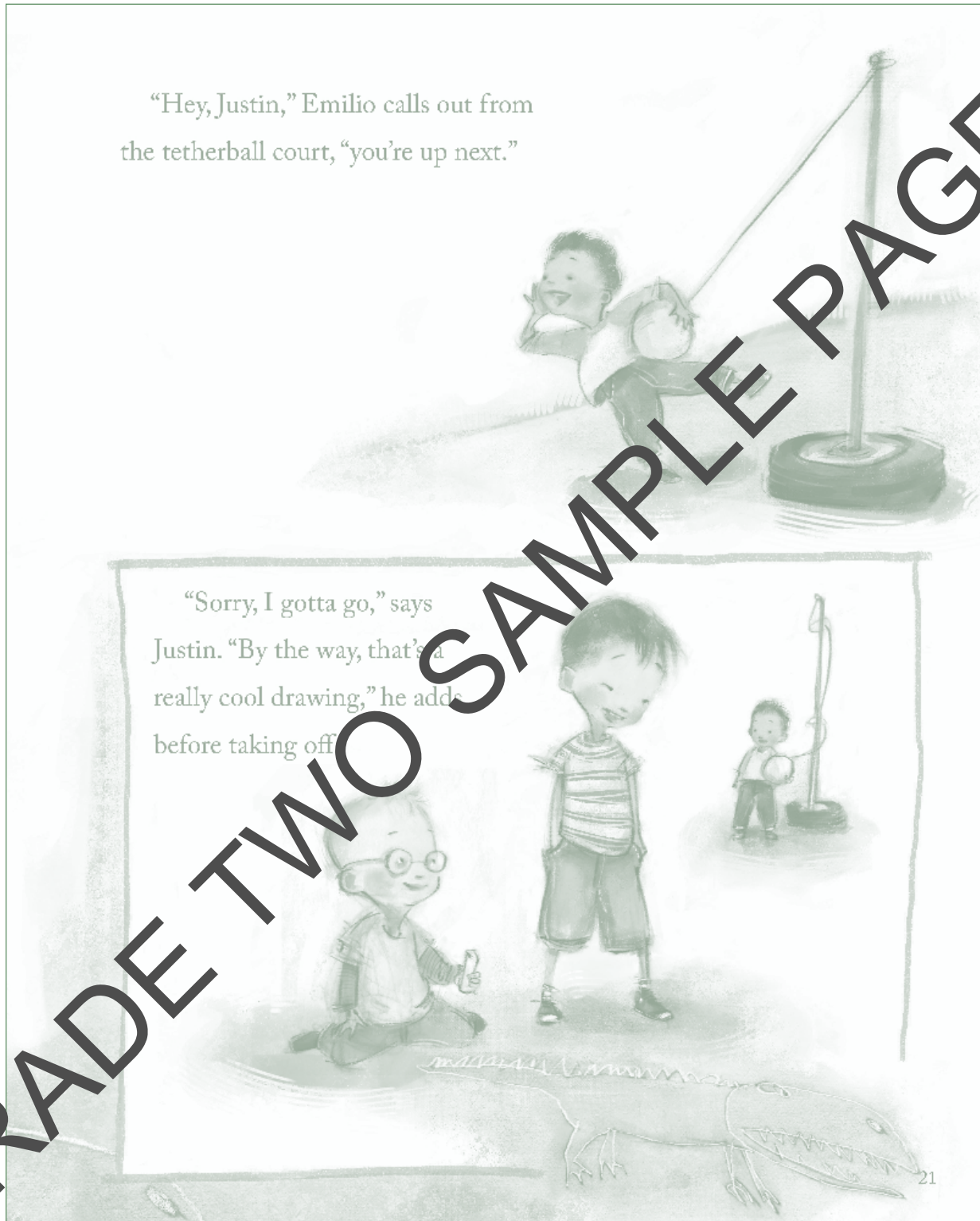
At morning recess, Brian finds a piece of chalk on the ground and starts drawing away.



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“Hey, Justin,” Emilio calls out from the tetherball court, “you’re up next.”

“Sorry, I gotta go,” says Justin. “By the way, that’s a really cool drawing,” he adds before taking off.



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