

MR. CAVANAUGH  
GRADE EIGHT  
NOVEL UNIT

**THE PIGMAN - CHAPTERS 13-15**

**PART I**

DURING READING

1. How does John justify throwing a party at Mr. Pignati's house?
2. In what ways does the party get out of hand?
3. How does Lorraine's mother react when she learns that her daughter was at the party?
4. Why does Lorraine decide that her mother will never really understand her?
5. Why does the Pigman collapse at the zoo?
6. How does Lorraine react to the Pigman's collapse?

READING ACTIVELY

1. What one idea became most clear to you as you read Chapters 13-15?  
*\*Five to eight sentences with evidence from the text\**

**PART II**

LITERARY ANALYSIS

Theme. The *theme* is the message about life that the writer wants to share with his or her readers. Explore two of the major themes in the novel by answering the questions below.

<i>The theme of guilt:</i>	What do Lorraine and John ultimately learn from their friend's death?
<i>The theme of appropriate adult behavior:</i>	What does Mr. Pignati teach them?

2. What does this statement from the end of the book, "Our life would be what we made of it-nothing more, nothing less", mean to you?