

PART ONE

Chapter 1-4

Chapter 1

- 1 Complete the sentences with the correct place names from the box. There is one more name than you need.

Australia • Casuarina Beach • Darwin • holiday camp •
Mindli Beach • Sydney • Timor Sea

- a) Cooper goes to _____
when he feels upset.
- b) When Cooper wants to have fun, he goes
to _____
- c) Cooper's dad says he shouldn't treat school like
a _____
- d) Cooper's dad wants to become the mayor
of _____
- e) When he finishes school, Cooper wants to go
to _____
- f) Cooper tells the boy he finds on the beach that he is
in _____

Chapter 2–3

- 1 Put the events from chapters 2 and 3 into the right order. Write numbers 1–9 in the boxes. The first one has been done for you.

	At home in his bedroom, Cooper finds it difficult to sleep.
	Cooper collects food, clothes, and other things from his home for Bashir.
	Cooper tells Kate about finding Bashir on the beach.
1	The boy tells Cooper that his name is Bashir and he comes from Afghanistan.
	Kate says that Cooper should tell his dad about Bashir.
	Cooper takes Bashir to eat at a restaurant.
	Cooper says his dad will tell the police if he finds out about Bashir.
	Cooper shows Bashir his dad's beach hut and says he can stay there.
	Cooper realises that he likes Bashir.

- 2 Find 4–5 different words/names used to describe Bashir in sections 2 and 3. Decide if the words/names are positive, neutral or negative. Write them in the table below.

Positive	Neutral	Negative

- 2 Explain the following phrases in your own words.

- a) "My mind was racing, a thousand questions shooting through my head like a pinball machine."
(p. 16, ll. 23–24)

- b) "The teachers' voices sounded like faraway echoes. Everything I wrote was like someone else was writing it for me." (p. 17, ll. 20–23)

- c) "Trouble was written all over my face." (p. 18, l. 5)

- c) "Kate is straighter than the Stuart Highway." (p. 18, l. 25)

Chapter 4

- 1 Imagine you are the woman described in the opening section. You have just arrived back at the camp. What hopes and fears do you have for you and your baby? Make notes.

- 2 Describe Cooper's relationship with his father. Use quotes from the text (pp. 20–22).
