THE CHALK BOX KID: CHAPTER 1 - THE ROOM

1. What did Gregory like to do?

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2. Gregory was staying with his Aunt Grace while his parents were moving to
another house. Why did they have to move?

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3. Why was Gregory feeling so sad?

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4. Describe the house where they moved.

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5. Gregory’s sad mood changed. What did he get for his birthday that made him
him happy?

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6. Would you be happy with Gregory’s gift? Why or why not?

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CHAPTER 2 - UNCLE MAX

1. What did Gregory do that made his room feel like it was really his?

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2. Write a few things telling about Uncle Max.

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3. What two names did Uncle Max call Gregory?

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4. Why was there a second bed in Gregory’s room?

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5. Was Gregory happy with Uncle Max being there? Why or why not?

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CHAPTER 3 - THE NEW SCHOOL

1. When Gregory left for school, where did his parents go and what did they do?

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2. What were the names of Gregory’s new school and his new teacher?

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3. How did Vance make Gregory feel? Would Vance make you feel that way too?

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4. When Gregory came home from school, he couldn’t find his pictures in his bedroom? What happened to them?

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5. Did Uncle Max care that Gregory’s feelings were hurt? How do you know?

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6. Would you want an uncle like Max? Why or why not?

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7. Although Gregory wanted to tear down Uncle Max’s posters, what did he do instead?

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CHAPTER 4 - THE BURNED BUILDING

1. At school, Gregory thought his teacher liked him but he wasn’t sure about the others. What did he think about Ivy and what did they both have in common?

2. After school, where did Gregory go to find a place of his own? What had this place been at one time?

3. What did Gregory draw on the walls of the building?

CHAPTER 5 - A PARTY

1. Why was Gregory’s class having a party for Ivy?

2. What prize did she win?
3. When Ivy was given her prize, she said, “Maybe this isn’t for me. There could be somebody better.” What did she mean by that?

4. Did Gregory like his new school? How do you know?

5. What can teachers and children do to make each child feel special?

CHAPTER 6 - MR. HILLER

1. Why did Mr. Hiller come to Gregory’s class?

2. What did Mr. Hiller give to the class?

3. Why didn’t Gregory take anything from Mr. Hiller?
CHAPTER 7 - GREGORY’S GARDEN

1. Name some things that Gregory drew in his garden.

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2. Why didn’t Gregory’s parents come to see his garden? How do you think that made him feel?

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3. Since Gregory’s garden was inside the burned building, why did he worry that the rain would wash his garden away?

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4. In the last paragraph, it said the boys and girls were looking at Gregory and talking with their heads together. What do you think they were discussing?

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CHAPTER 8- “NOTHING AT ALL”

1. Who followed Gregory home from school?
2. Write exactly what Vance said about Gregory’s garden.

3. How did the children make Gregory feel?

4. Do you think Gregory was bragging?

5. Gregory told his mother that he didn’t care what the children thought about him. Do you think he was being honest? How do you know?

CHAPTER 9- IVY AND RICHARD

1. Why did Ivy insist Gregory should have the leather art case?

2. Why did Miss Perry want Ivy to keep her own case?
3. Name the adults that came from school to see Gregory’s pictures? What did they think?
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4. How was Gregory starting to feel about school?
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5. Why did Daddy want to get new clothes for his son?
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6. How do you know that Uncle Max was proud of his nephew? What was the new name he called Gregory?
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7. Why do you think Gregory was so happy when Ivy and her brother Richard visited him?
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8. Describe one gift you add to this classroom to make it a special place.
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