

Help!

 Philip Prowse

Before reading

- Look at the front of the book and *People in the story* on page 4. What is the book about?
- Look at *People in the story* on page 4 and the pictures in the book. What are the names of the people in the pictures?
- Look at the pictures on pages 5 and 7. What are the people doing?
- If you have the cassette, listen to Chapter 1.

Check your reading

CHAPTER 1

- Put the words in these sentences in the right order.
 - things to money buy need we
 - new need clothes you
 - old your at clothes look
 - on old I and jeans pullover had an
 - on black she clothes expensive had
- Who said what?
 - 'I'm a writer.'
 - 'Don't go to sleep.'
 - 'There's a lot to do at work.'
 - 'Have a nice day.'
- Look at the picture on page 7. Frank has something in his hands. Find the words for it on page 7.

CHAPTER 2

- What happened when? Choose the times.

9 am 9.30 am 11 am 12.30 pm

 - Lunch at the Waldorf
 - The postman came
 - Frank started writing
 - Frank changed his clothes
- True or false?
 - It was March 29th.
 - Frank lived on the seventh floor.
 - Frank looked at his watch twice.
 - Frank went to the Waldorf Hotel by taxi.
- Complete the sentences.
 - Rogers Tannenbaum and Schutz work for
 - Mel Parks likes very much.
 - Mel wants to make a of the book.
 - Mel is at the Waldorf Hotel on March

CHAPTER 3

- Match the beginnings and endings.

1 Mel Parks was	a finished.
2 The Waldorf Hotel restaurant was	b by the front door of the hotel.
3 I was	c very happy.
4 The book wasn't	d very good.
- Look at the picture on page 15. What is Mel saying to Frank? What is Frank thinking?
- Is Frank going to be happy? What is going to happen?

CHAPTER 4

- Which happened first, second, third, fourth and fifth?
 - Frank put the television on.
 - There was spaghetti in the microwave.
 - Teresa telephoned.
 - Mel telephoned.
 - There was coffee in the microwave.
- Do you like Chip? Why or why not?
- Look at the picture on page 27. What is going to happen?

CHAPTER 5

- What happened when? Choose the times.

4 pm 4.15 pm 4.45 pm

 - Frank looked at the car.
 - Frank put the computer in the car.
 - There were two men at the door.
- Who said what?
 - 'Here are the keys.'
 - 'How's the book going?'
 - 'You did what?'
 - 'Let's say half a million.'
 - 'It's going to be about a writer.'
 - 'Put the computer down.'
 - 'No computer now!'
- Chip and Mel are happy. What about Frank? How does he feel?
- Frank is asleep. Teresa comes home. What is going to happen next?

CHAPTER 6

- True or false?
 - Frank dreamed about Chip because he wanted Teresa to be happy.
 - Teresa says it's OK for Frank to be a writer.
 - Teresa could see and hear Chip.
 - Frank starts to write a story about Chip.

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2. Put the words in these sentences in the right order.

- a important a new are car television a nice and
- b important much are more you but
- c anything hear you did?
- d the don't write you why down dream?
- e to she up door stood went the and

After reading

Choose some of these activities.

1. Who do you like most? Teresa or Frank? Why?
2. You are making a film of *Help!*. Which film stars play Frank, Teresa, Mel and Chip?
3. Make up a new title for the story and new chapter headings.
4. Look at the pictures. Write what is in each picture.
5. Teresa writes a letter to a friend about Frank. What does she say?
6. What happens after the end of the story? Write about what happens to Frank and Teresa.
7. Word search

There are 12 words from the story in this puzzle. How many can you find?

P	M	O	V	I	E	C	B	H	O
N	D	R	E	A	M	W	O	X	I
O	A	I	M	N	A	T	F	M	A
T	E	L	E	V	I	S	I	O	N
E	M	T	S	P	L	K	L	N	L
B	O	R	K	E	D	N	M	E	I
O	D	G	A	S	T	O	R	Y	F
O	E	I	S	A	N	L	U	R	T
K	M	I	C	R	O	W	A	V	E
C	O	M	P	U	T	E	R	Y	F

8. Make your own activities for other students to do.
e.g. Make a word search puzzle or write some True/False questions.
9. Here is the blurb from another book at this level.

<p>John Doe</p> <p>The man they call John Doe lies in a hospital bed. He watches and thinks but says nothing. The doctor wants to know who he is. But John Doe doesn't answer his questions. Then, after John Doe leaves hospital, the doctor finds out more about him than just his real name.</p>
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Do you want to read *John Doe*?

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