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# Partner reading

The Big Nothing (pp. 10-14)

**Pages 10-12:** Justin sees Ben, thinks about Duane, and goes home.



Look for:

- facts about Duane




Read silently to where it says, “I do a drop and roll . . .” on page 12.



Turn and talk with your partner.

Together, come up with three facts about Duane. Draw and label a small picture for each fact. Write the page number where you got the fact.

↓ Facts	↓ page #	↓ Pictures
1. _____ _____ _____	_____	
2. _____ _____ _____	_____	
3. _____ _____ _____	_____	

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## Partner reading, continued

→ Why do you think Justin misses his brother Duane so much?

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→ Share your answer with your partner. Write down your partner's idea, too. \_\_\_\_\_

**Pages 12-14:** Justin's mother comes home after a big fight with Justin's father.



Look for:

- details of what happened with Justin's parents
- another Big Nothing



Read silently to the end of the chapter on page 14.



Turn and talk with your partner.

### Skills Review: Summarizing

Summarize what happened with Justin's parents.

WHO \_\_\_\_\_

DID WHAT \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN \_\_\_\_\_

Together, find where it says, "I unplug myself when things are bad, but her Big Nothing is way bigger than mine." What does Justin mean here?

Justin means that his mom

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### Make a prediction

What do you think will happen next with Justin and his mother?

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