Main Idea

I. yellow-spotted lizard

A. You will die a slow and painful death

B. If you get bitten

II. Stanley Yelnats

A. was from a poor family. He had never been to camp before.

B. Stanley was arrested

C. Stanley was not a bad kid. He was innocent of the crime for which he was convicted. He'd just been in the wrong place at the wrong time.

III. Stanley's father

A. was an inventor

B. was smart and had a lot of perseverance

C. Once he started a project he would work on it for years, often going days without sleep

D. He just never had any luck

IV. Welcome to Camp Green Lake

A. couldn't see a lake

B. hardly anything was green

C. The land was barren and desolate

D. a few run-down buildings and some tents

E. there was a cabin beneath two tall trees

F. Those two trees were the only plant life he could see

G. There weren't even weeds

V. Mr. Sir

A. cowboy hat

B. He had a tattoo of a rattlesnake on his arm

VI. - stifling

A. To keep in or hold back; repress

VII. Mr. Pendanski

A. was younger than Mr. Sir, and not nearly as scary looking

B. The top of his head was shaved so close it was almost bald

C. his face was covered in a thick curly black beard

D. His nose was badly sunburned