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## Freak the Mighty Story Summary

**Directions:** The following is a summary of *Freak the Mighty* by Rodman Philbrick. Fill in the gaps with the words that you think will fit. Some answers will be used more than once.

A.	adventures	O.	dinner	DD.	learning	RR.	sewer
B.	American chop suey	P.	Dr. Spivak		disabilities	SS.	shoulders
		Q.	eighth	EE.	Lee	TT.	skeleton
C.	Annie	R.	empty book	FF.	Loretta	UU.	small
D.	appearance	S.	Fourth of July	GG.	Loretta Lee	VV.	smart
E.	basement	T.	Friday the 13 <sup>th</sup>	HH.	magician	WW.	sulphuric acid
F.	body	U.	gadget	II.	Max	XX.	testaments
G.	bulkhead	V.	grandparents	JJ.	moves	YY.	Tony D
H.	chokes	W.	Gwen	KK.	organs	ZZ.	tracheotomy
I.	Christmas Eve	X.	hero	LL.	ornithopter	AAA.	turd
J.	computer	Y.	high above	MM.	plea bargain	BBB.	wagon
K.	crutches	Z.	Iggy	NN.	purse	CCC.	writing
L.	delighted	AA.	Kenny	OO.	quests	DDD.	yelling
M.	dictionary	BB.	Kevin	PP.	robots		
N.	died	CC.	King Arthur	QQ.	scared		

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This story is about a young man who lives with his  
(1)\_\_\_\_\_, named (2)\_\_\_\_\_. Max lives in  
the (3)\_\_\_\_\_ of the house, and attends  
(4)\_\_\_\_\_ classes at school. A new family  
(5)\_\_\_\_\_ in next door. Max recognizes the young man as  
(6)\_\_\_\_\_, who attended day care with him. Kevin is very  
(7)\_\_\_\_\_ and (8)\_\_\_\_\_ for his age. He  
uses (9)\_\_\_\_\_ to help him walk.

Kevin is outside (10)\_\_\_\_\_ at the movers to be careful  
with his (11)\_\_\_\_\_. His mother,  
(12)\_\_\_\_\_, tries to calm him down. Later, Kevin is playing  
with his (13)\_\_\_\_\_ and Max helps him rescue the bird from a  
tree. They become fast friends. Max pulls Kevin to his house in Kevin's  
(14)\_\_\_\_\_. Kevin tells him all about  
(15)\_\_\_\_\_ and the knights of the round table.

At first, Gwen is (16)\_\_\_\_\_ of Max because of his  
(17)\_\_\_\_\_. When she learns who he is, she is  
(18)\_\_\_\_\_ that Max and Kevin will be friends. Gwen invites  
Max over for (19)\_\_\_\_\_. Kevin tells him all about  
(20)\_\_\_\_\_. Max laughs so hard that he chokes.

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On the (21)\_\_\_\_\_, Kevin and Max attend the fireworks celebration at the lake. Max picks up Kevin and puts him on his (22)\_\_\_\_\_ so that he can see better. They have a "close encounter of the (23)\_\_\_\_\_ kind" when they run into (24)\_\_\_\_\_ and his gang. Max is named a (25)\_\_\_\_\_ by "saving" Kevin from the gang of bullies.

Every morning, Kevin wakes Max up by banging on the (26)\_\_\_\_\_ door. Kevin rides on Max's shoulders so that he doesn't have to deal with his crutches. Kevin likes walking (27)\_\_\_\_\_ the world. They go on all sorts of (28)\_\_\_\_\_.

Late one night, they find a (29)\_\_\_\_\_ in the (30)\_\_\_\_\_. The next day, they visit the (31)\_\_\_\_\_ to return the purse to (32)\_\_\_\_\_. She and her husband, (33)\_\_\_\_\_, knew Max & Kevin's parents. Loretta says that Kevin's father was a (34)\_\_\_\_\_ because he disappeared as soon as he heard that Kevin had birth defects.

When school starts, Max and Kevin are both in the (35)\_\_\_\_\_ grade. Max is allowed to take regular classes if

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(36)\_\_\_\_\_ promises to help him. On

(37)\_\_\_\_\_, Max finds out his dad is getting out on parole.

On the same day, Kevin chokes on (38)\_\_\_\_\_.

The families have Christmas Eve (39)\_\_\_\_\_ at Max's house. Max gives Kevin a tool (40)\_\_\_\_\_ for Christmas.

Kevin gives Max a (41)\_\_\_\_\_ of his favorite words and definitions. On (42)\_\_\_\_\_, Max's father,

(43)\_\_\_\_\_, comes into Max's room and kidnaps him. He takes him to the (44)\_\_\_\_\_ 's house.

The next morning, (45)\_\_\_\_\_ tries to untie Max while Iggy keeps Kenny busy. Kenny comes in and (46)\_\_\_\_\_

Loretta. Max jumps up to save Loretta and remembers seeing

(47)\_\_\_\_\_ do the same thing to Max's mom,

(48)\_\_\_\_\_. Kevin saves the day with a water gun full of what he says is (49)\_\_\_\_\_.

Kenny accepts a (50)\_\_\_\_\_, and returns to jail without Max testifying.

Kevin has to go to see (51)\_\_\_\_\_ more often. He says that she is getting him a new (52)\_\_\_\_\_.

For his birthday, Kevin gets a new (53)\_\_\_\_\_ so that he can do his school work when he has to stay home. He chokes and they rush him to the hospital.

The doctor performs a (54)\_\_\_\_\_ to help Kevin breathe.

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Kevin gives Max an (55)\_\_\_\_\_ and tells him to write all of their adventures down. The next morning, when Max goes to visit Kevin, everyone is crying. Kevin (56)\_\_\_\_\_ in the night. His (57)\_\_\_\_\_ had stopped growing and his (58)\_\_\_\_\_ got too big for his body.

Max did not attend the funeral because he felt so bad. The next year, he ran into (59)\_\_\_\_\_. She said that Gwen had moved to California. When he said that he was doing "nothing," she said, "Nothing's a drag." That is when Max finally decided. He went home and started (60)\_\_\_\_\_. He wrote down their (61)\_\_\_\_\_ in Kevin's empty book.

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-----**Key ( 61 points)**-----

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. grandparents          | 23. turd                        | 45. Loretta        |
| 2. Max                   | 24. Tony D                      | 46. chokes         |
| 3. basement              | 25. hero                        | 47. Kenny          |
| 4. learning disabilities | 26. bulkhead                    | 48. Annie          |
| 5. moves                 | 27. high above                  | 49. sulphuric acid |
| 6. Kevin                 | 28. quests                      | 50. plea bargain   |
| 7. smart                 | 29. purse                       | 51. Dr. Spivak     |
| 8. small                 | 30. sewer                       | 52. body           |
| 9. crutches              | 31. testaments                  | 53. computer       |
| 10. yelling              | 32. Loretta Lee                 | 54. tracheotomy    |
| 11. computer             | 33. Iggy                        | 55. empty book     |
| 12. Gwen                 | 34. magician                    | 56. died           |
| 13. ornithopter          | 35. eighth                      | 57. skeleton       |
| 14. wagon                | 36. Kevin                       | 58. organs         |
| 15. King Arthur          | 37. Friday the 13 <sup>th</sup> | 59. Loretta        |
| 16. scared               | 38. American chop suey          | 60. writing        |
| 17. appearance           | 39. dinner                      | 61. adventures     |
| 18. delighted            | 40. gadget                      |                    |
| 19. dinner               | 41. dictionary                  |                    |
| 20. robots               | 42. Christmas Eve               |                    |
| 21. Fourth of July       | 43. Kenny                       |                    |
| 22. shoulders            | 44. Lee                         |                    |