Discussion Questions for Chapter 14

- 1. In chapter 14, Boot says that it would have been a tragedy if Shooter had lived out his life lazily roaming through fields instead of doing hard things. What possible tragedies are around us today? How would it be a tragedy if kids skip class regularly to have fun with their friends? Or if they don't graduate from high school? Or if they don't go to college? Or if they spend all of their time playing video games?
- 2. Dod didn't feel comfortable riding Brown Sugar up Coyote Trail. Why? Have you ever agreed to do something that you knew might be too hard or dangerous? What did you do?
- 3. Strat stood up for others when Sirlonk was being unkind. How do you feel about Strat? How do you feel about Sirlonk? How do you think others feel about you when you are gossiping or saying unkind things about someone else?
- 4. Sirlonk and Juny didn't have to follow the rules when entering High Gate. Why do you think they didn't? Should people with some authority be exempt from the rules that the rest of us have to follow?

Vocabulary Words for Chapter 14

DEGRADE INCOMPETENCE FORMIDABLE EXCESSIVELY MANAGEABLE SPECTACLE PLATEAU OUTRAGED NOTION BLIGHT

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Awkwardly	Degrade					
Rendezvous	Incompetence					
Skim	Formidable					
Squabble	Excessively					
Blearily	Manageable					
Commissioned	Spectacle					
Cognizant	Plateau					
Undisclosed	Outraged					
Murky	Notion					
Enlist	Blight					