

A Great Day for a Drive

Pre-reading

Questions:

- What do you think of when you read the title?

Definitions:

- Favorite – something you have a special liking for
- Shoulder – the edge of the road
- Trooper – a state police officer
- Enjoy – to have a good time
- Warning – a notice of something bad



Reading

15 It was a nice fall day. Bob was driving down the highway. His favorite song
32 was on the radio. He was singing along and tapping his fingers to the beat. “What a
47 great day!” he thought. Then he saw flashing red lights in his rear view mirror.
62 It was a state trooper. “So much for the great day,” Bob thought. He slowed
79 down and stopped his car on the shoulder of the road. He turned off the radio and
95 rolled down his window. Bob knew to stay in his car and wait for the officer.
108 “Hello,” Bob said. The trooper said, “Do you know how fast you were
122 going?” Bob replied, “I thought I was going the speed limit.” The trooper said,
138 “You were going 60 miles per hour in that 50 miles per hour zone. You were
154 speeding.” Bob was enjoying the drive so much, that he hadn’t seen the 50 miles per
156 hour sign.
170 The trooper asked for Bob’s driver’s license. Bob gave it to him. Bob was
183 **lucky**. He only got a warning. “It’s still a great day!” he thought.

Understanding

1. What was Bob singing? _____

2. What color lights did he see flashing? _____

3. What happened first (1), second (2), third (3), and fourth (4)? Put them in order.
 - ____ Bob turned off the radio.
 - ____ Bob stopped his car.
 - ____ Bob slowed down.
 - ____ Bob rolled down his window.
4. Where did Bob stop his car? _____

5. What does the word **lucky** mean? _____

Writing

Choice A: Retell the story in your own words.

Choice B: Tell about a time you were stopped for speeding.
