



## Will Stephanie Get the Story? Study Guide

### During Reading:

Why wasn't Stephanie accepted into the newspaper club the first time she tried?

Do you think Stephanie made the right decision when she told Vanessa she couldn't go ice skating?

List at least three things that Stephanie learned that helped her write a better second story.

Stephanie's story persuaded people to help clean up the park. Why do you think she was able to do that?

### After Reading:

Look through a local newspaper. What sections does the paper have? List the sections and the purpose of each.

After looking at the editorial page of a newspaper, write an editorial essay on a current topic.

Write a news story about a current event at school or home. Include the important questions from page 57 of the book.

Interview a classmate or someone you know to learn about a favorite activity, hobby, or what they want to be when they grow up. Prepare several questions that you want to ask. Write a news story and create a title that will catch readers' attention. Be curious!

Write a classified advertisement. Since an ad's cost is determined by the number of words, try to get your message across in the fewest words.

Take one headline each from the front page, the business section and the sports page and rewrite them.

Rewrite a comic strip. Can a different message be conveyed?

Look at the store ads in the paper. Pick 3-4 items and decide what the savings and new cost would be if there was a 10% or 25% discount.

Choose two or three of your favorite toys and write descriptions for them as if they were featured in a store ad.

