

Holes

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Louis Sachar is an American young-adult mystery-comedy author. He is best known for the Wayside School series and the novel Holes. Holes won the 1998 U.S. National Book Award for Young People's Literature and the 1999 Newbery Medal for the year's "most distinguished contribution to American literature for children"



The iconic, multi-million bestselling novel, in a 25th anniversary edition with exclusive new material inside. An unmissable modern classic.. Stanley Yelnats' family has a history of bad luck, so when a miscarriage of justice sends him to Camp Green Lake Juvenile Detention Centre (which isn't green and doesn't have a lake) he is not surprised. Every day he and the other inmates are told to dig a hole, five foot wide by five foot deep, reporting anything they find. Why? The evil warden claims that it's character building, but this is a lie. It's up to Stanley to dig up the truth. A masterpiece of storytelling that combines sly humour with irresistible, page-turning writing.

Key Vocabulary

Violation: to break a law or rule

Legitimate: In line with the law

Warden: A guardian in charge

Facility: A building or place that provides a service

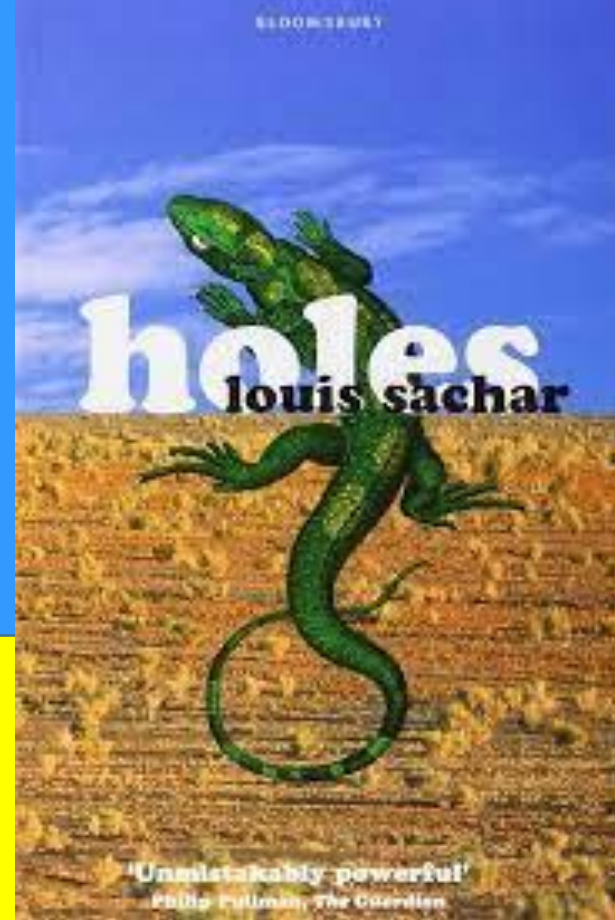
Juvenile: Not fully grown, young person

Promissory: Involving or containing a promise

Authenticate- to prove real

Incarcerated: to spend time in prison

Tedius — boring/dull



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Writing Challenges!

- Write one of Stanley's letters home. Remember that in these, he tells his parents what he thinks they want to hear rather than the truth!
- Design a wanted poster for Kissin' Kate Barlow.
- Write a character profile for one of the characters.
- Write a newspaper report of Stanley's trial.

