

El Deafo Cece Bell

1. Why didn't Martha talk to Cece for a while?
She felt bad about Cece's eye. Cece had hurt her eye when she ran into a branch while the girls were playing.
2. What did Emma say when Cece came home from the hospital with her new hearing aid?
She commented that she did not think Cece would be able to talk and she sounds funny when she talks.
3. What happened when she spent the night at Martha's house?
Cece turned off her hearing aids while Martha was talking because she doesn't want to listen to her any more. Martha tells her that she knows about the hearing aids from the neighborhood kids and wishes she had something like that so she didn't have to listen to her sister sometimes.
4. Why did Cece ask Ginny about the vocabulary words?
Cece couldn't see the words on the board. Her vision was very blurry. She needed to get glasses.
5. What part did Cece and Mike have in the play?
They were bookends.
6. When Cece and her family move from the city to the small town, what do the children in the new neighborhood like to do and why is this a problem for Cece?
The children like to listen to the radio. This is a problem because Cece can hear the music but she can't understand the words. Since she can't see the person singing, all the words sound like a foreign language to Cece.
7. What is one reason why Cece watched TV?
When she first moved to the new town she had no friends so she watched all kinds of TV even though it was hard to understand what was being said. She loved to watch it. She likes to watch it with her brother and sister because it is the one thing they can do together. Her siblings tell her what is happening on the TV.
8. What did Mike allow Cece to use?
His trampoline
9. What does the guidance counselor, Mrs. Catawba, have the class make?
The class made "warm fuzzies" to share with each other. Cece decorated her bag to look like her hearing aid.
10. How did the "warm fuzzies" help Cece with her friend Martha?
When she gave Martha her best "warm fuzzy", Martha began to talk to Cece. Martha explained why she was afraid to play with Cece. They made up and became friends again.
11. After Cece got caught "cheating on a test", she was very upset. What did her mother do?
Her mother bought her a Hostess cherry pie. Mom told her she needed to get her eyes checked. She might need glasses.

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12. What did Ginny always do when she saw Cece?
Ginny would always speak loud and slowly to Cece.
13. After Cece came home from the hospital, what did Ashley do for her?
He hid hundreds of paper boats around the house. Each boat had a special surprise, candy.
14. Why didn't Cece want to be in Laura's classroom in the third grade?
She wanted a new friend. She was tired of how pushy Laura was.
15. What happened when Laura and her mother stopped for a treat after sign language class?
They saw a couple arguing in sign language. It makes Cece think that maybe she should have tried to learn sign language.
16. What happened during the weeks of sign language classes?
Cece refused to really participate or to learn any of the signs. Everyone else around her was learning them and trying to get her to participate. Cece hates the class and finally gets out of going by kicking her mother. She felt that everyone was signing at her like she already knew it.
17. What happened when Cece marched around Laura's table when she stayed overnight?
Laura commanded her dog to "Get 'Em". Fluff bit Cece on the leg. Laura thought it was really funny.
18. What was the disease that Cece had that caused her deafness?
She had meningitis. It can cause the brain to swell.
19. What did Mike want Cece to do when he learned about her special ability?
Cece tells him that she can hear Mrs. Sinklemann wherever she is in the building when she is wearing her hearing aid. Mike wants her to listen for Mrs. Sinkleman during quiet math so the class can have fun. She is to warn the class when the teacher is coming back to the classroom.
20. What did Missy try to do at Ginny's sleepover?
Missy tried to give Cece a makeover. Cece gets out of the makeover by saying that people who wear hearing aids can't wear makeup it messes up the hearing aid.
21. What happens when Ginny turns out the lights at her sleepover?
Cece is not able to read lips any more. She does not know what the girls are talking about. She "knows" the girls are talking about her and making fun of her. She goes downstairs and gets Mrs. Wakeley to call her mom to take her home.
22. How did Johnnie upset Cece?
He broke her new pencil that she just got from her dad.
23. At what age does Cece go to the hospital?
4 years old
24. When Cece is little, what is her favorite thing to wear?
A red and white polka dot bikini

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25. What is the name of the hearing aid system that Cece wears?
The Phonic Ear
26. What is the power of the cami that she wears?
The power of the rosette – she hopes to lure her Supercrush (Mike Miller) into her loving arms with it.
27. What is the nickname that Cece has for Laura when she is pretending to be El Deafo?
Super Bossypants
28. What is the name of Cece's friend before she becomes deaf?
Emma
29. Who was Cece's teacher at Fischer School and what is special about the school?
Dorn – all the students are just like Cece. They are wearing hearing aids and can't hear. They teach her how to lip read.
30. How do Laura and Cece become friends in first grade?
Laura offers Cece some Fritos.
31. Who is Cece's third grade teacher?
Mrs. Ikleberry
32. What is El Deafo's super power?
super hearing