

Lesson 23



✓ TARGET VOCABULARY

sincere
managed
loaded
loveliest
conversations
inspired
reunion
currently
pleasure
terror

Vocabulary
Reader



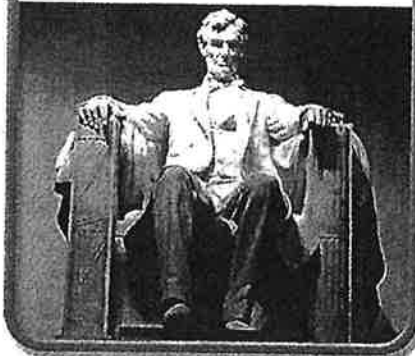
Context
Cards



Vocabulary in Context

sincere

This President had sincere hopes. He truly wanted to change unfair laws.



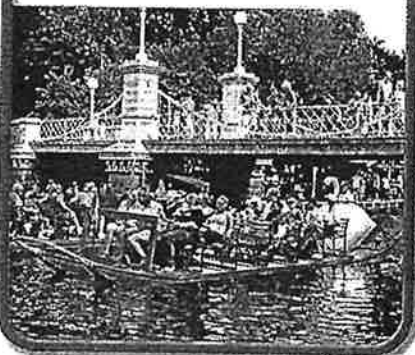
managed

Artists managed to carve this special monument. It was not easy!



loaded

Before sailing, people loaded onto this swan boat. They piled on.



loveliest

Oregon's Crater Lake is one of the loveliest national parks. It is beautiful.



- Study each Context Card.
- Place the Vocabulary words in alphabetical order.

5 **conversations**

Conversations in a museum must be quiet. People should speak in whispers.



6 **inspired**

This statue has inspired people. It makes them believe in freedom.



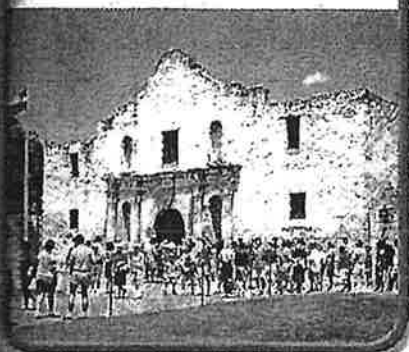
7 **reunion**

This family went camping for their yearly reunion, or gathering.



8 **currently**

Currently, this fort is a museum. Soldiers no longer live here.



9 **pleasure**

People get pleasure, or enjoyment, from riding this old merry-go-round.



10 **terror**

When people look down at the Grand Canyon they may feel terror, or fear.



Background

✓ **TARGET VOCABULARY** **Traveling Now and Then** Are you ever inspired to travel? Currently, we travel easily by planes, trains, or cars. We can enjoy snacks and conversations flying 30,000 feet high! Long ago, people managed to travel, but it was difficult and often dangerous. Some travelers felt terror as they loaded onto horse-drawn wagons, camels, or creaky ships.

Travel today is fun and teaches us many new things. Loveliest of all, though, may be the sincere pleasure of coming home to a reunion with loved ones.

Travel Today	Travel Long Ago
Airplanes	Walking or horseback riding
Trains	Horse-drawn wagons
Cars and buses	Camels in caravan, or long line
Steam or gas-powered boat	Open boat or wind-powered ship
Interstate highways	Rough dirt roads or trails

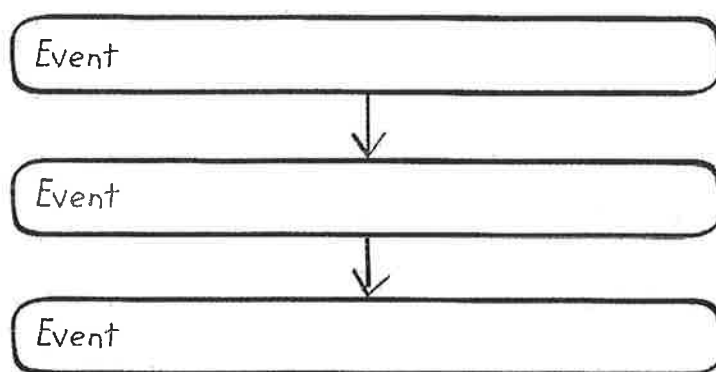
People still use camels to travel, just as they did thousands of years ago!



Comprehension

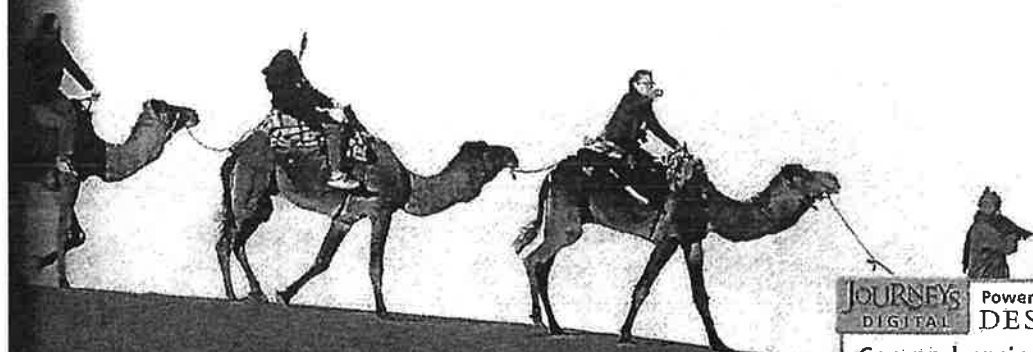
✓ **TARGET SKILL** Sequence of Events

As you read *The Journey of Oliver K. Woodman*, notice the sequence, or order, in which events take place. Use dates, times of day, and signal words to help you put the events in sequence on a chart like this one.

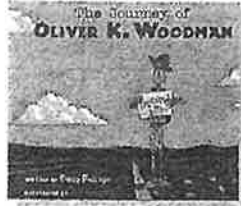


✓ **TARGET STRATEGY** Analyze/Evaluate

The author uses letters to tell this story. What do you think of her choice to tell the story that way? Does it make story events easier or more difficult to follow? Does it make reading the story more or less enjoyable?



Main Selection



TARGET VOCABULARY

sincere	inspired
managed	reunion
loaded	currently
loveliest	pleasure
conversations	terror



TARGET SKILL

Sequence of Events

Tell the time order in which events happen.

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TARGET STRATEGY

Analyze/Evaluate Think about what you read. Then form an opinion about it.

GENRE

A **fantasy** is a story that could not happen in real life. As you read, ask yourself these questions: *Which details are realistic? Which are make-believe?*



MEET THE AUTHOR

Darcy Pattison

Oliver K. Woodman, the character Darcy Pattison created, has become so

popular that students at schools in New York, Indiana, and other states have their own wooden models of him. Whenever they travel, they take Oliver with them and bring back photos and journal entries from his journey.



MEET THE ILLUSTRATOR

Joe Cepeda

Joe Cepeda does woodworking as a hobby, so when he was illustrating this story he

drew Oliver K. Woodman as if he were really going to build the character out of wood. Author Darcy Pattison loves how Cepeda's art turned out. "Oliver has no mouth, yet you would swear that he's smiling at us," she says.

THE JOURNEY OF OLIVER K. WOODMAN

written by
Darcy Pattison

illustrated by
Joe Cepeda



Essential Question

What happens
if you tell story
events out of order?

May 10
Redcrest, CA

Dear Uncle Ray,

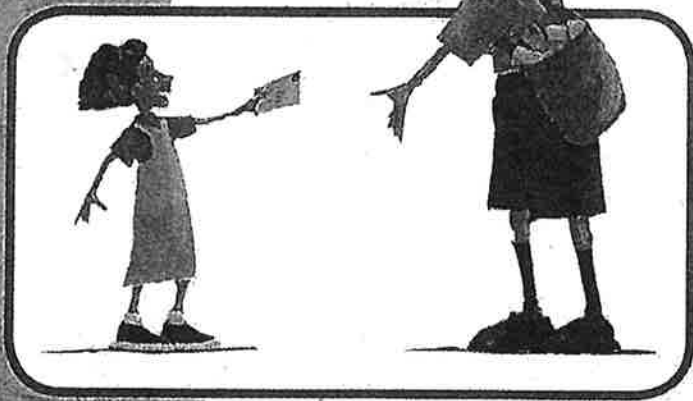
Please come to visit us this summer.
We will go camping. We can swim and
catch fish.

You are my favorite uncle. Please say
you will come!

Love,

Tameka

XOXOXO



May 17
Rock Hill, SC

Dear Tameka,

I'd love to come to California, but I can't.
I will be building kitchen cabinets for some new
apartments all summer.

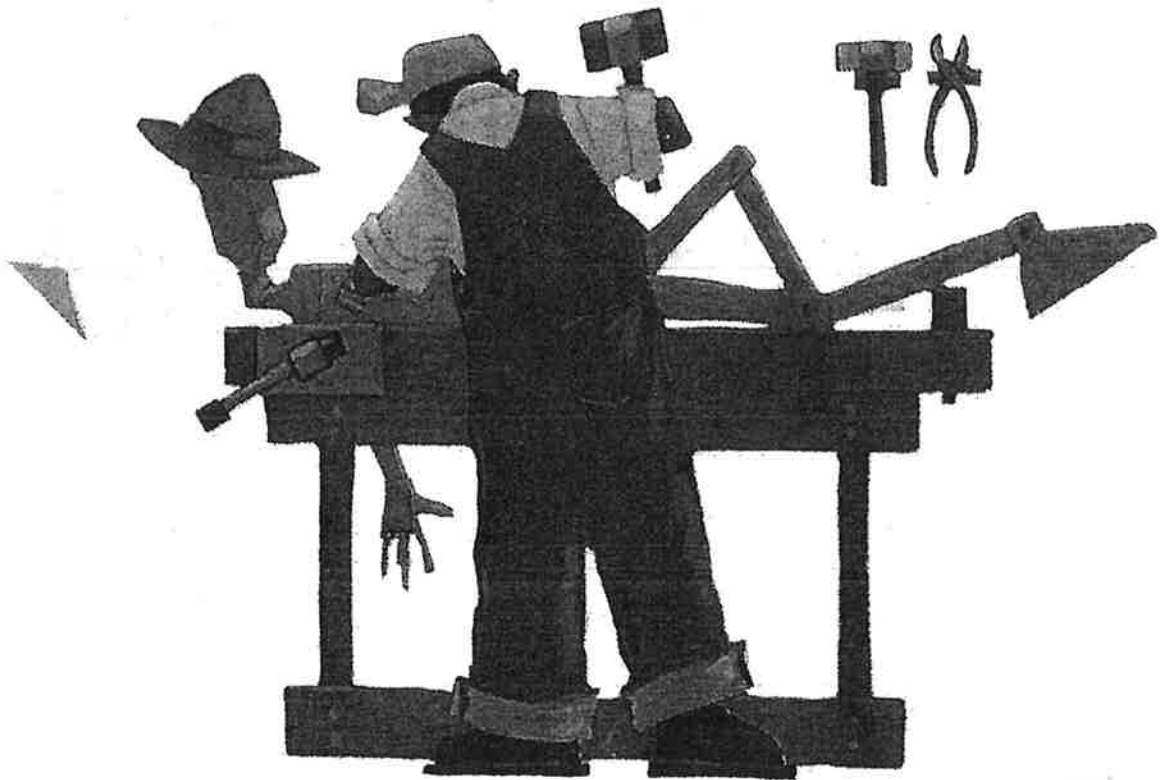
But maybe my friend Oliver will come to visit!

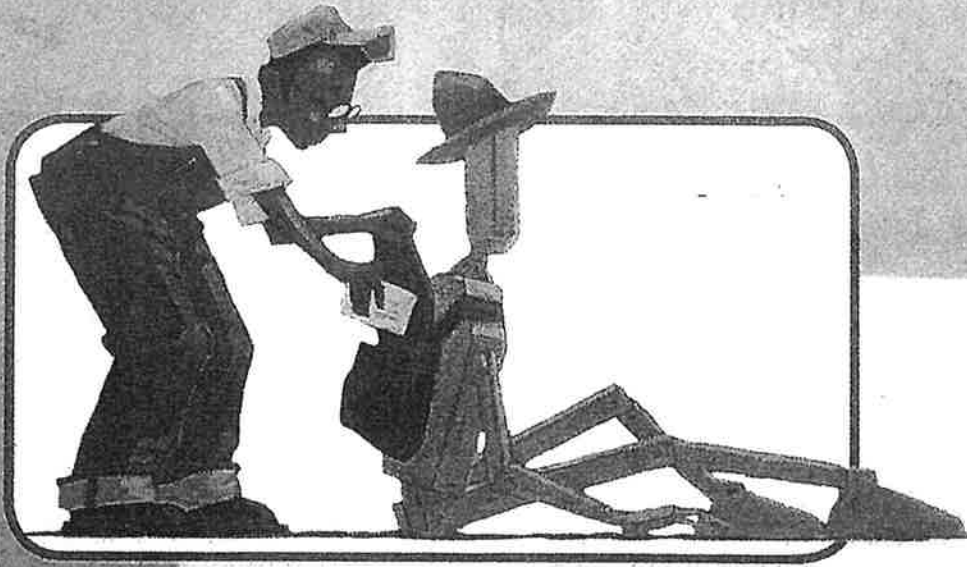
Love,
Uncle Ray



STOP AND THINK

Sequence of Events Who wrote
the first letter, Uncle Ray or Tameka?
How can you figure this out?



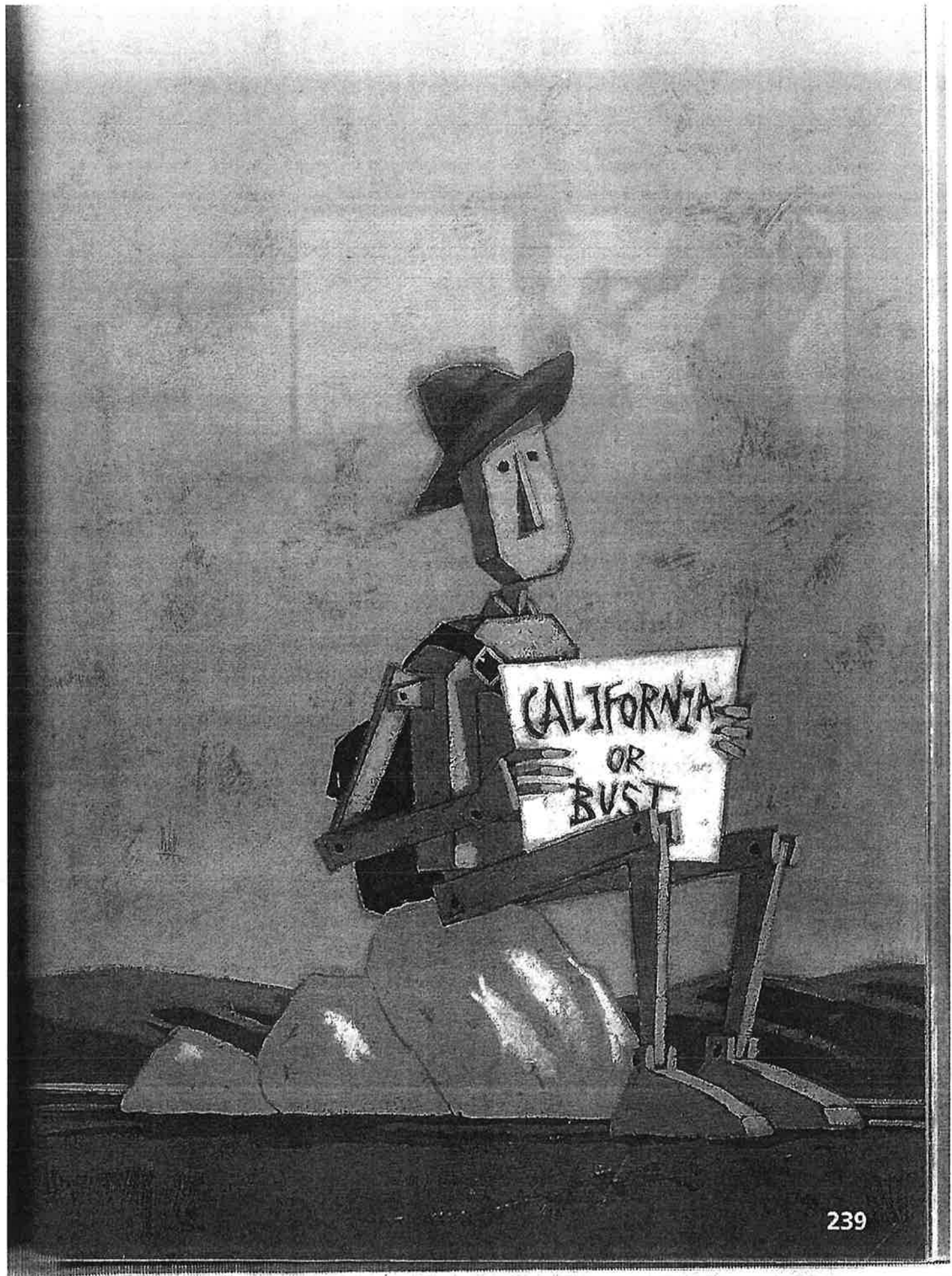


Dear Traveler,

I am going to see Tameka Schwartz,
370 Park Avenue, Redcrest, California, 95569.
Please give me a ride and help me get there. If
you don't mind, drop a note to my friend Raymond
Johnson, 111 Stony Lane, Rock Hill,
South Carolina, 29730. He wants to keep up
with my travels.

Thanks,
Oliver K. Woodman





June 1
Rock Hill, SC

Dear Favorite Niece Tameka,
Oliver left this morning. Let me know when
he gets there—it should take him a couple of
weeks. Or maybe more. It's hard to say.

Love,
Uncle Ray



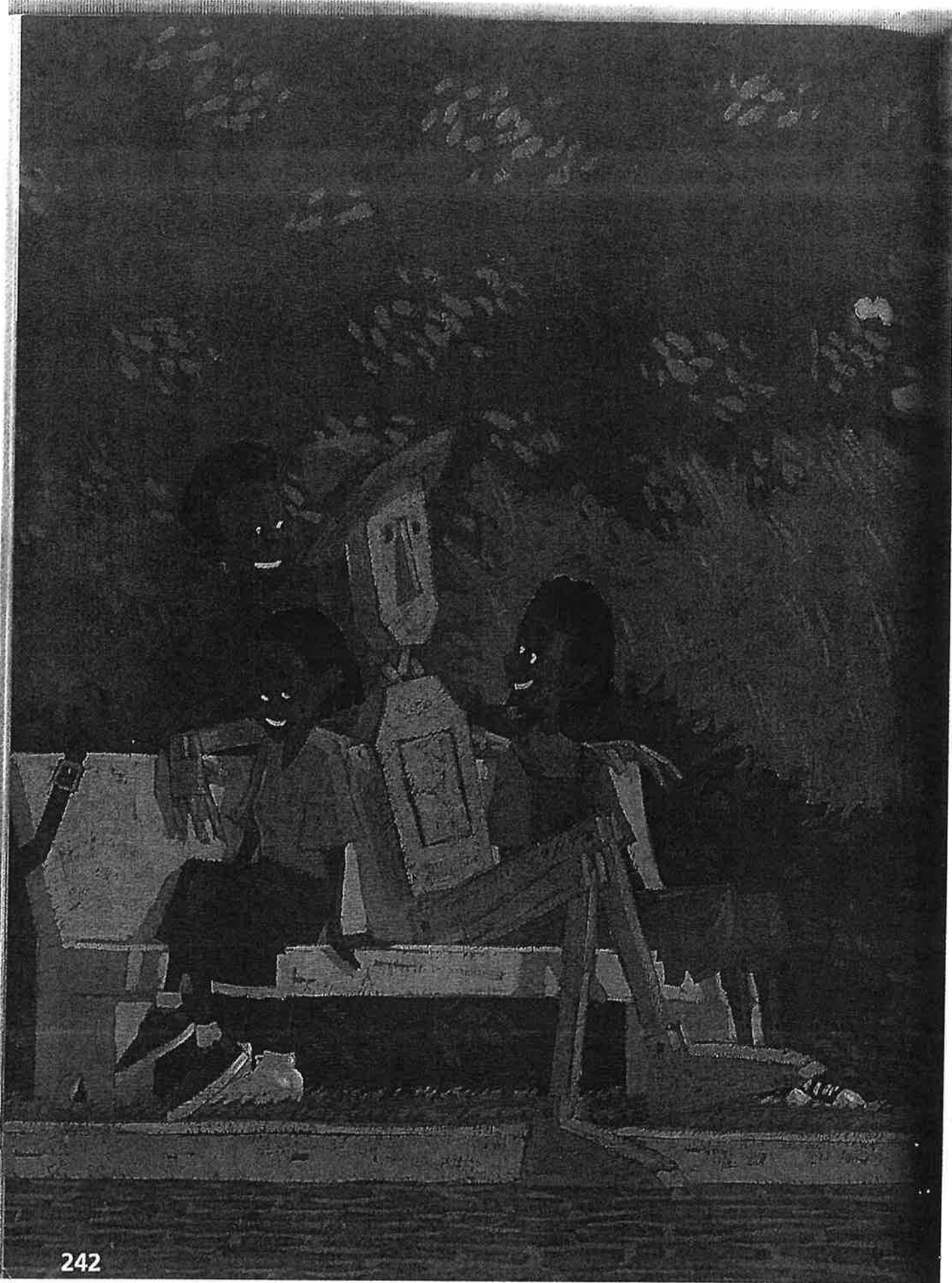
June 4
McTavish Plantation
Outside Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Ray:

For two days, Oliver rode in the back of my truck and kept Bert, my Brahman bull, company. I delivered Bert to his new home and he's settling in, but he'll miss the late-night conversations and singing with Oliver.

I left Oliver east of the Mississippi River, just outside Memphis, and hurried home to my beloved Amelia.

Yours truly,
Jackson McTavish



June 8
Forrest City, AR

Hi! Mr. OK is OK. Quinn and Sherry went to a basketball game at The Pyramid in Memphis, Tennessee, last weekend and brought Mr. OK back. He hung out with us for a couple of days, and all the girls liked him better than Quinn. So when Quinn's cousin's boyfriend's aunt was leaving to visit her sick grandfather in Fort Smith, Arkansas, the guys loaded Mr. OK into the aunt's station wagon and sent him on his way. We didn't even get to say good-bye!

Cherry (Sherry's sister),
for the Gang

P.S. If you see Mr. OK again, tell him we all said good-bye.



Raymond Johnson
111 Stony Lane
Rock Hill, SC 29730

STOP AND THINK

Author's Craft How does Cherry's letter sound different from Jackson's letter on page 241? Which details make it sound this way?

June 11
Albuquerque, NM

Hey, Ray—

I drive a moving van for Southeast Moving Company. I picked up Oliver at the Arkansas border, then drove west to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, south to Dallas, Texas, northwest to Amarillo, Texas, east to Panhandle, Texas, then west again to Albuquerque, New Mexico.

He's an easy fella to travel with. He never needs bathroom stops. He doesn't care where we eat. And he stays awake with me all night. I'm sorry to see him go, but this week the company is sending me east, to Wauchula, Florida.

Trucking along—
Bobbi Jo



Raymond Johnson
111 Stony Lane
Rock Hill, SC 29730



June 28
Rock Hill, SC

Dear Tameka,

I've had no word from Oliver in seventeen days.
I'm starting to worry. What if he is lost?
Please call me if he turns up at your house.

Love,
Uncle Ray



July 1
Redcrest, CA

Dear Uncle Ray,
No word from Oliver. Are you sure he's
really coming?

I still wish we could see you. I asked Mama
if we could come visit, but she said it costs too
much. Daddy says he can't take off work that
long. Ever since I asked, Mama keeps looking
at family photo albums. When she sees your
pictures, she says, "My baby brother!"

Love,
Tameka
XOXOXOX



July 4
Salt Lake City, UT

Dear Raymond Johnson:

My grandfather found Mr. Woodman in the middle of the reservation in New Mexico. Poor fella—a mouse was building a nest in his backpack. We don't know how he ended up way out there, and he's not telling.

Grandpa brought him to Utah to join me in the Fourth of July parade. I got so tired of smiling and waving at the crowds, but Mr. Woodman's brave smile inspired me.

I just sent Mr. Woodman off with three sisters. They looked like such nice old ladies, so I know they'll take good care of him.

With all my love—
Melissa Tso, Miss Utah

P.S. I've enclosed an autographed picture.

