

**Bad Boy: "Mr. Irwin Lasher" Guided Reading Questions**

Directions: Answer each question thoroughly, using complete sentences and citing evidence from the text. Include page numbers and direct quotes to support your answers.

1. How did the character of 125<sup>th</sup> Street change after more blacks found jobs in the stores?

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2. How did Walter feel about books? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Why did Walter not want to fight about books? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Who was Mr. Irwin Lasher? \_\_\_\_\_

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Why was Walter put into his class? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. How did Mr. Lasher handle Walter's misbehavior that was different from his other teachers? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. What two important things did Mr. Lasher do for Walter that year? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. What effect did Mr. Lasher's confidence in Walter have on his grades and conduct during that school year? \_\_\_\_\_

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8. How did Walter injure his knees? \_\_\_\_\_

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Why do YOU think he told the lie that his mother had done it to him? \_\_\_\_\_

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