NEED-TO-KNOW NOTES

Four Miles to Pinecone ~ Final Test

- 1. Much of the setting of the story takes place in what city? St. Paul, MN
- 2. When it was nice outside, the Barry's (Tom's family) liked to go where?

 On the roof
- 3. What is Tom's best quality? **Honesty**
- 4. Why did police think that Tom committed the robbery?
 He ran out of the store with a pop bottle
- How did Tom know Detective Afton? He sold him cigarettes every morning
- 6. Why did Detective Afton think that Tom should recognize the assailants at the store? They knew where the cigarettes were, the best time to strike, and where Mr. Kerr's desk was
- 7. Why didn't Tom turn Mouse in after the robbery? He didn't want to squeal on his best friend
- 8. What was the glass of wine made from that Lester, Gert and Chad drank?

 Choke cherries
- 9. What did Tom forget to do <u>after</u> fishing with Lester? **He forgot to put away** the motor
- 10. How could Tom see the thief stealing the motor in the darkness? Lightning flashes
- 11. How did Tom get Bruno to Pinecone? On the roof of the van
- 12. After the incident with Bruno, Tom spends the night where? In jail
- 13. What happens to Lester's cabin? Mr. Kerr takes it/moves in
- **14.** How many days does it take Tom to write the story? **9 days**
- **15.** What point of view is the story told in? How do you know this? **First person, "I"**
- **16.** Who is the protagonist? **Tom**
- 17. What literary device is used throughout the story? Flashback
- 18. What is the primary setting of the story? St. Paul, MN

- 19. Name one external conflict in the story. Tom vs. Mouse-why he told on him OR Tom vs. Bruno-trying to get away
- 20. Name one internal conflict in the story. Tom vs. self-deciding to turn

 Mouse in or not
- 21. Give an example of foreshadowing found in the story. Mouse's "job": night shift, easy work, fast money, being secretive about it
- 22. What is the resolution of the story? Tom turns Mouse in—sent to the State

 Training School, Lester is never found, and Tom writes his story to pass

 English
- 23. What is the theme/moral of the story? Sometimes the right thing to do isn't always the easiest, you don't learn about courage without learning about fear, etc.
- 24. Give 5 examples that show Lester still has some good inside of himself.

 Friendly, gives advice, helps out aunt and uncle, saves Tom from Bruno,
 takes Tom fishing, teaches Tom how to take the fish off the hook, etc.
- 25. Explain in detail why the book is called Four Miles to Pinecone. It took Tom four miles to get to Pinecone with Bruno on the roof <u>AND</u> it was the longest four miles of his life.
- 26. Compare and contrast Mouse & Lester as **people** (3 examples of similarities/3 of differences) <u>and</u> their **crimes** (3 examples of sim/3 of diff).

Similarities: AS PEOPLE	Differences: AS PEOPLE
1. Small	1. M-young with grayish skin
2. Friends with Tom	L-Old with wrinkles
3. Thieves	2. M-lives with family in the city
	L-lives alone in the country
	3. M-lazy like his dad
	L-does everything for himself

Similarities: THEIR CRIMES	Differences: THEIR CRIMES
 Both steal Crimes happen at night 	1. M-robs stores L-steals boat motors
3. Both had a partner	2. M-steals at night no matter what
	L-steals at night during storms 3. M-accomplice was Bob L-accomplice was Bruno