

Selection Quiz, page 27

Responses will vary. Possible responses are provided.

1. Terry's father is a victim of Vietnam syndrome. It causes his strange behavior.
2. Terry and his father are in the mall. They separate for a short time. Terry's father doesn't meet him at the mall entrance, so Terry goes toward the hardware store to find his father. He sees a commotion. He finds his father crawling on the floor, whimpering and afraid. Terry has to help calm his father and wait for his mother to come to take them home.
3. He doesn't think anyone else could really understand; also, it's a very painful memory.
4. Terry's father was one of a group of soldiers crossing a rice paddy. It was night and the Vietcong started shooting from the sides of the paddy. All of the men were killed except for Terry's father. He hid under the body of one of his comrades. He knew that in the morning the enemy soldiers would come and kill anyone who was still living. Terry's father tried with all his might to stop the sun from coming up. Of course, he couldn't. The soldiers did come but they overlooked him and he survived. However, he feels that he died in the rice paddy because he couldn't stop the sun from rising.
5. It improves their relationship. After their talk, Terry has a new respect and admiration for his father. He will no longer avoid his father or be embarrassed.