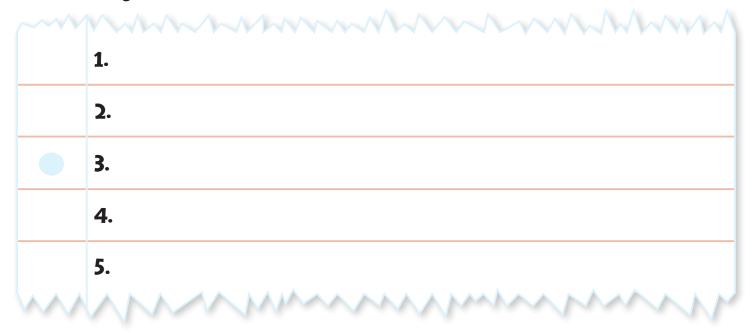


Read the part in the book that tells what the basement in Peter's house looked like.

#### List five changes that Grandpa will make:



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Draw your idea of what Grandpa's apartment will look like.







# **Activity Two**

### In Other Words

This story has many expressions to explain ideas or thoughts.

In your own words, explain the meaning of each of these expressions.

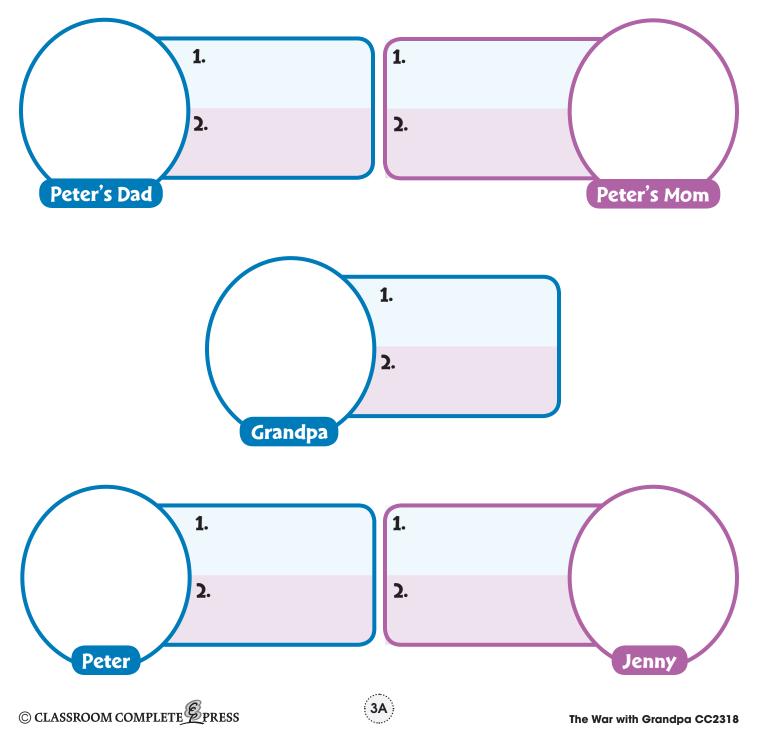
Expressions	Your meaning
<b>1.</b> Only a dope will mope.	
<b>2.</b> Be still my heart.	
<b>3.</b> Wishy – washy.	
4. He was the biggest bigshot.	
5. A slippery customer.	
<b>6.</b> Monkeyshines.	
<b>7.</b> Messing with your mind.	
8. She kept sweet-talking Dad.	
9. Got my old pizzazz back.	
<b>10.</b> Waiting for the other shoe to drop.	

**Explain** "everything will be hunky – dory" : \_\_\_\_\_



The Family Album

Think about the people in this family. Draw a picture to show what each person looks like. Write two good sentences to tell how the person acts. The drawings in the story may help you.





## **Activity Four**

### Who Said?

Write the name of the character who said each of the following quotes in the story.

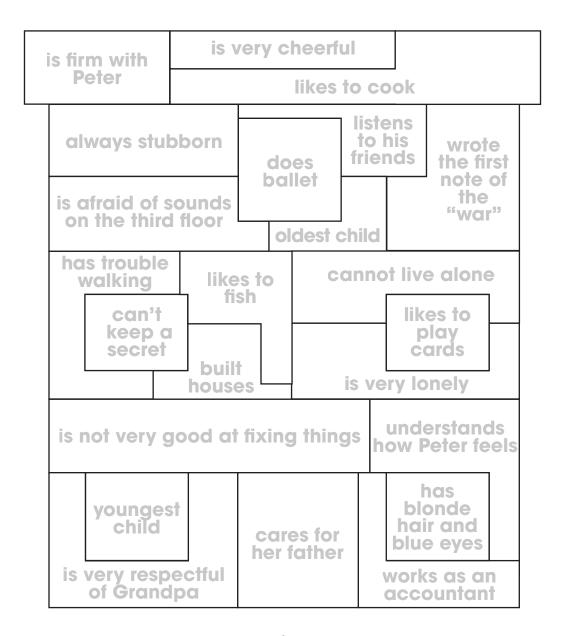
Character List					
Grandpa Steve Mayei	Peter r Jenny		Peter's Mom Billy Alston	Peter's Dad	
<b>1.</b> "That's not the secret," she said, putting her hand on her hip and posing like a statue or something. "Where do you think his room will be?"					
2. "I was speaking to him the other day and guess what? He's sold the house down there and he's coming to live with us. Isn't that exciting?"					
	<b>3.</b> "We've got to make Grandpa feel welcome, kids. Our home is his home now. I expect you to treat him just like a member of the family."				
	<b>4.</b> "You're no Peapod anymore," he said, which was a nickname he had called me. "Petey, you're springing up like a weed."				
5. "I don't care what you say. I think it stinks."					
<b>6.</b> "I won't let nobody take my room." He made a fist and slammed it into his other palm. "Pow! Right in the nose!"					
7. "Is there anything you want to say to me?" I asked him on the way back.					
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Descriptions of each character are in the grid below. Color each description based on the color guide below.

#### Peter - BLUE Grandpa - GREEN Jenny - YELLOW

Peter's Mom - ORANGE Peter's Dad - RED





NAME:	Student Worksheet				
	Activity Six				
	The Right Facts				
Read each question below. Then, circle the correct answer.					
<b>1.</b> How long had Peter had his room?					
since he was three years old	all his life	for five years			
2. Why does Jenny tell Peter about Grandpa coming to live with them?					
her mother asked her to tell him	she is checking to see if it is true	she can't keep a secret			
3. Why was Peter afraid to sleep in the room on the third floor?					
there were strange and scary sounds	a boogeyman lived up there	there were no lights			
4. Why did Peter start a war with Grandpa?					
he likes fighting with people	he has never fought in a war before	he wants his room back			
5. Why does Peter listen to his friends?					
they keep telling him what to do	he can't think of any ideas	he wants to be the boss			
6. Why does Grandpa decide to turn the basement into his apartment?					
he needs something to do	he wants his own place	he likes to spend money			
7. Grandpa made a gift for Peter. It was a sign that said					
No Girls Allowed	This is Peter's Room	Pete's Place			
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