

Symbolic Interview Project

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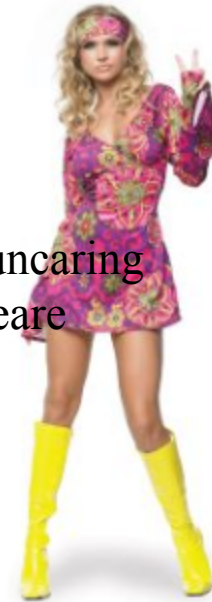
Summary: A seventh-grader, Holling Hoodhood, must overcome an uncaring father, a rebellious sister and a teacher who makes him read Shakespeare every wednesday, all during the 1960s and the Vietnam War.



Mrs. Baker made Holling read Shakespeare, so I found this picture of the 16th century writer.



I think this looks like Mrs. Baker -- an older lady who was once a great athlete.



This is Holling's sister, Heather. She is a classic "hippie," someone who is anti-war and not afraid to stand up against the establishment.

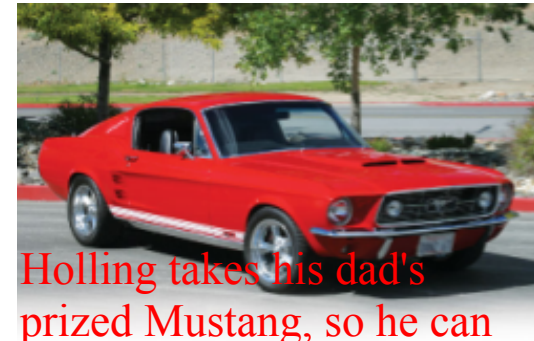
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Holling acted in a Shakespeare play, and he had to wear tights, which he hated.



Some characters are killed in Vietnam, and this made me think of that.



Holling takes his dad's prized Mustang, so he can pick up his sister from the train station. This is a great picture of a 1967 Ford Mustang.



This reminds me of Holling and his sister, Heather. They became really close by the end of the novel. I think this book is about growing up and about relationships.