

A Novel Unit for:
Stone Fox



Summary

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Chapter 1 "Grandfather" Pages 3-11	<p>Little Willy and his Grandfather live on a potato farm in Wyoming. Grandfather is sick and won't get out of bed. Willy gets the town doctor – Doc Smith. The Doctor says that there is nothing wrong with Grandfather. He seems to have just given up on life. The year is sometime in the late 1800's.</p>
Chapter 2 "Little Willy" Pages 12-21	<p>Willy discovers that he and his grandfather have no money. Willy uses his dog, Searchlight, to help harvest the potato crop. Willy discovers that Grandfather can communicate with limited hand signals.</p>
Chapter 3 "Searchlight" Pages 22-29	<p>The chapter shows the closeness of Willy and his dog, Searchlight. Willy and Searchlight love to ride their sled through the snow. Willy remembers that he has \$50 dollars in the bank. The money is supposed to be for college. Willy and Searchlight discover a stranger at the farm.</p>
Chapter 4 "The Reason" Pages 30-36	<p>The stranger turns out to be a tax collector. His name is Clifford Snyder. Mr. Snyder claims that Grandfather owes \$500 in back taxes. Grandfather has not been paying the taxes for years. Willy figures out that this is the reason Grandfather is sick.</p>
Chapter 5 "The Way" Pages 37-45	<p>Willy needs to raise \$500. He applies for a loan at the bank. The bank turns him down. Everyone tells Willy that he needs to sell the farm, in order to pay the taxes. Willy sees a poster for the National Dogsled Races. The prize is \$500.</p>
Chapter 6 "Stone Fox" Pages 46-54	<p>Willy enters the race, against the advice of everyone. The entrance fee is \$50, which Willy pays for with his college money. Willy meets Stone Fox. Stone Fox is an Indian that has a beautiful dogsled team. He has never lost a race. Only nine people enter the race, because no one will beat Stone Fox.</p>
Chapter 7 "The Meeting" Pages 55-61	<p>Little Willy goes into town to get medicine for Grandfather. While in town, he sees the dogs that belong to Stone Fox. While petting the dogs, Stone Fox hits Willy in the eye, to get him away from the dogs. Willy tells Stone Fox that he is going to beat him.</p>
Chapter 8 "The Day" Pages 62-68	<p>This is the day of the race. Willy gets to town, surprised to see the entire town eagerly cheering for him. All the people that Willy meets try their best to encourage him.</p>
Chapter 9 "The Race" Pages 69-76	<p>The race starts. Willy gets an early lead. He moves far ahead of the other racers. His small size works to his advantage on the curves and turns. He gets a huge lead, while Stone Fox starts slow. Finally Stone Fox moves up. The chapter ends with Willy and Stone Fox neck and neck for the finish line.</p>
Chapter 10 "The Finish Line" Pages 77-81	<p>Willy is still in the lead, barely. Suddenly, only 100 yards from the finish line, Searchlight collapses and dies. Stone Fox stops his sled, and pulls out a rifle. He orders the other racers to stop. He then motions to Willy to pick his dog up and finish. Willy and Searchlight cross the finish line together.</p>