

**Read
Together**

Genre

Realistic Fiction



AUDIO

Audio with
Highlighting



ANNOTATE



The Blackout

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The lights went out
during the storm.

Everything went quiet.



“I will check on Mr. Stevens,”
Mama says.



“I will check on Martha and Todd,” Papa says.



“I will check on Mrs. Johnson,”
I say.



CLOSE READ



Underline the words that tell
what the boy says.

I go upstairs with my flashlight.



Mrs. Johnson's radio was always on.
But now it is silent.



VOCABULARY IN CONTEXT

Underline the words that help you figure out what **silent** means.

“I need a battery,”
Mrs. Johnson mutters.



I give her my battery.



CLOSE READ



How would you describe the boy?
Highlight the details that help you.

Mrs. Johnson puts my battery
in her radio.

It works!



Everyone comes.

We all listen until the lights
come back on.

