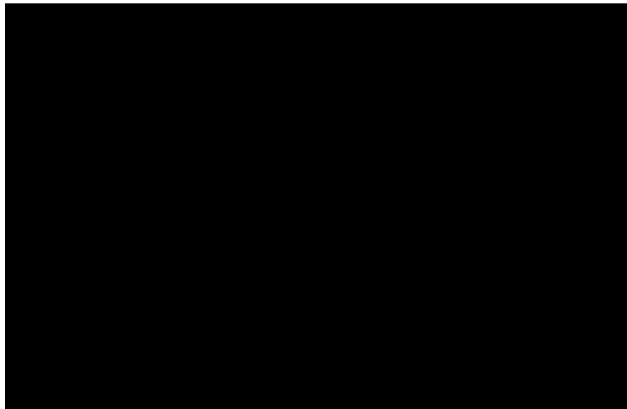


# The Drive-In Movies

B \*;B #8=8

Gary Soto is an American poet, novelist, and memoirist. In this short story, Soto describes his desire to go to the drive-in movies as a kid. As you read, take notes on what the narrator does to get what he wants.

8; 8>; /\*625B 68??. 08270 @\*<;\*;. >=2/ 8>;  
 686 =2;. - /;86 \* @. . 4 8/ , \*7-5270 . 00< @84.  
 >9 1\*99B 87 \* #\*=>;- \*B 68;7270 =1.;. @\*< \*  
 , 1\*7, . @. 6201=5\*=. ; <;\*6+5. =8 8>; +5>.  
 1. ?B \*7- +. \*= 7201=/\*55=8 =1. #=\*;5201= ;??. L7  
 B +;8=1. ; \*7- <2<=. ; 47. @ =12< L 47. @ =12< #8  
 87 #\*=>;- \*B @. =;2. - =8 +. 088- &. <\*= 27 =1.  
 , 885 <1\*-8@< 8/ =1. \$% @2=1 =1. ?85>6. 58@ \*7-  
 @\*=, 1. - , \*;=887< \* 9;. 5>-. 8/ @1\*=@\*< =8  
 , 86.



7. #\*=>;- \*B L -. , 2-. - =8 +. . A=\* 088- &1. 7  
 <1. , \*6. 8>= 8/ =1. +. - ;886 =B270 1. ; ;8+. <1.  
 B\*@7. - \* 1\* = <2C. - B\*@7 \*7- +5274. - ;. - . B. < \* =1. @. \*4 +;. @ 8/ , 8K. . L 1\*- HA. - /8; 1. ; L 6\*-.  
 1. ; =8\*<= @2=1 <=\*@+. ; ;B3\*6 <9;. \* - =8 \*55=1. , 8; 7. ; < \*7- <. = =1; . . +8A. < 8/ , . ; . \*527 /; 87= 8/ 1. ; L/  
 <1. -2-7E, \*;. =8. \*= , . ; . \*5 <1. , 8>5- \*5@\*B<5884 \* =1. +\*, 4 8/ =1. +8A. < \* < <1. - ; \*74 1. ; , 8K. .

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L @. 7= 8>=<2-. \$1. 5\*@7 @\*<=\*55 +>=88 @. = @2=1 -. @ =8 68@ L 92, 4. - >9 \* =; 8@. 5 \*7- +. 0\*7 =8  
 @. . - =1. l 8@. ; +. - \$1. @. . - <@. ; . ; . \*55B +. ; 6>- \* 0; \* << 5870 <=; 270. ; <=1 \* =; \*7 H70. ; - . . 9 27 =1.  
 0; 8>7- l 08= =8 @8; 4 : >2, 45B \*7- 27 78 =26. , ; . <. 7 < 8/ . \*; =1 +. 0\*7 ; 2<270 >7-. ; 6B H70. ; 7\*25< L @\*<  
 <@. \* =B 18= B 47. . < 1>; = /; 86 47. . 5270 \*7- 6B +; \*27 @\*< ->55 /; 86 6\*4270 =1. =; 8@. 5 08 >9 \*7-  
 -8@7 - ; 2+>5270 , ; >6+< 8/ . \*; =1 L ->0 /8; \* 1\*5/ \*7 18>; =1. 7 <=899. - =8 95\*B @2=1 =1. 7. 201+8; k -80  
 \*7- 989 =2, 4< /; 86 12< 988; <78>=

8++5270 L ; . => ; 7. - =8 =1. | 8@. ; +. - @1. ; . | 9>55. - 68; . <=; 270. ; < \*7- \*0\*27 95\*B. - @2=1 =1. -80  
8; . =2, 4< 1\*- 620; \* =. -