

***A Bronzeville Story***

Elementary: Grades 3–4

**Reading-Comprehension Questions**

1. What were some of the reasons for the Great Migration?

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2. How was Penny's home in Mississippi different from her new apartment in Chicago?

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3. Why was Penny's new neighborhood called Bronzeville?

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4. Why did Penny and Cleet call Lurlene the hornet?

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### **Critical-Thinking Questions**

1. In what ways was life in the North not “free” for all people in 1949?

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2. Why do you think the newspaper was named the *Chicago Defender*?

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3. Compare the feelings Uncle Obie and Lurlene have about life in Chicago.

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4. Why was there tension between Lurlene and Penny? Why is it important to get to know new people and places before making a judgment?

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