Vocabulary Chapter 1 and 2

1. Unvanquished: not conquered
2. Phony: not real or genuine; fake; counterfeit
3. Laser: a device that produces a nearly parallel, nearly monochromatic, and coherent beam of light by exciting atoms to a higher energy level and causing them to radiate their energy in phase.
4. Duplex: house having separate apartments for two families, esp. a two-story house having a complete apartment on each floor and two separate entrances.
5. Observation: an act or instance of noticing or perceiving.
6. Microsecond: a unit of time equal to one millionth of a second
7. Mainstream: the principal or dominant course, tendency, or trend.
8. Glimpse: a very brief, passing look, sight, or view.
9. Hunkering: To squat close to the ground; crouch. Usually used with *down*
10. Consequences: Something that logically or naturally follows from an action or condition

Discussion Questions Chapters 1 and 2

1. Who is telling the story?
2. Why is Max given the nickname of Kicker while in daycare?
3. Why do you think Max feel that “hug stuff” is a “rotten lie”?
4. When has Max previously seen the person who later pairs up with him to become “Freak the Mighty”? What attributes does this boy have that makes it easy for Max too remember him?
5. What opinion do you think Max has of himself as the story begins? Why do you think he feels this way?
6. With whom does Max live? Why?
7. What happens on the first day of July in Max’s neighborhood?
8. What is Max’s impression of Kevin after their first encounter in front of the duplex?

Activities for Chapters 1 and 2

Create character description for Max and Kevin…You MUST include and illustration!