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## FIGURES OF SPEECH

When people talk to one another, they often use expressions that mean more than the words themselves. For example, when Rusty says, “I guess I’m a little down,” he means he’s feeling discouraged. These are called “figures of speech.” Chapters 1-3 are full of figures of speech. Find each of the figures of speech listed and tell what they mean in the context of the novel. Then find two figures of speech on your own in this section and explain what they mean.

FIGURE OF SPEECH	PAGE NUMBER	WHAT IT MEANS
“Put a sock in it”	Page 2	
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“kick the bucket”	Page 3	
“sweet zip all”	Page 3	
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