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Big Joe's Funeral

Period: _____

Directions: Complete the following questions in complete sentences. Use evidence from the story and **PUT PAGE NUMBERS** next to the question where you found the information (if appropriate). Don't forget to **steal and spit**.

What does Peaches do to disturb the funeral – at the funeral home?

Where was the “burial” supposed to take place? Why is this unusual?

It could be argued that Big Joe took his funeral one step too far. Give at least 2 examples of this.

What do Peaches, LaToya, and Squeezie get in trouble for?

What does Peaches do to disrupt the party portion of the party?

What does Chops do after the cops came to the restaurant?

What happened with Cassie?

TURN OVER, MORE ON BACK!

What does Big Joe do to help Cassie?

What does it mean to be American?

What elements of this story make it American? Explain your answer!

Make a connection between an author's life and their writing through author background knowledge. Why do you think Walter Dean Myers wrote about a street in Harlem? What might the characters/the street/etc. represent?
