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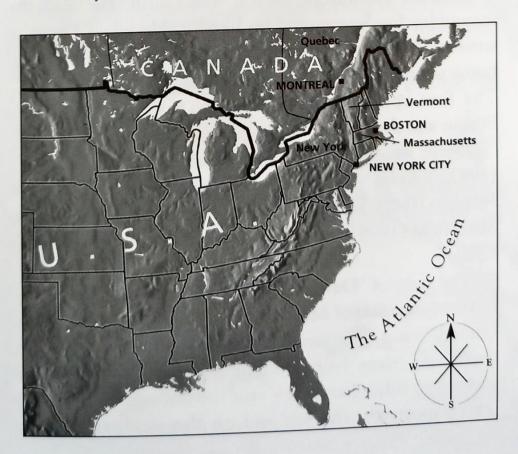
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about 300 basic words about 600 basic words
about 1100 basic words
about 1400 basic words
about 1600 basic words
about 2200 basic words

Vocabulary

Some difficult words and phrases in this book are important for understanding the story. Some of these words are explained in the story and some are shown in the pictures. From Pre-intermediate level upwards, words are marked with a number like this: ...³. These words are explained in the Glossary at the end of the book.

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A Note About This Story

Kevin Williamson is a screenplay writer and a producer and director of movies. He was born on March 14th, 1965 and grew up in New Bern, a small town in the state of North Carolina, in the east of the U.S.A.

Kevin loved movies and his favorite director was Steven Speilberg. Kevin studied theater and film at East Carolina University. In 1987, he left New Bern and went to New York. He wanted to become an actor. When he went to Los Angeles a few years later, he worked as an assistant to a director of music videos. Kevin studied script writing and wrote screenplays for movies. The first successful movie that he wrote was *Scream* (1996). Paul Stupin worked for Columbia TriStar Television. He read the screenplay for *Scream* and he liked it. He asked Kevin to write a TV show. Kevin thought about his life in his small home town and he wrote the story for "Dawson's CreekTM". The first episode of the show was made in 1997. Paul Stupin was the Executive Producer of "Dawson's CreekTM".

Kevin wrote the screenplays for the movies Scream 2 (1997), I Know What You Did Last Summer (1997) and The Faculty (1998). He wrote and directed the movie, Teaching Mrs Tingle (1999) and he produced the movie Scream 3 in 2000.

The story of "Dawson's Creek™" takes place in a small town in the state of Massachusetts, in the northeast of the United States. The small towns and villages on the east coast have many visitors during the summer months. The tourists go fishing and they visit the restaurants. They play water sports on the sea and on the small rivers—the

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