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Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry study guide

1. **Vocabulary. DIRECTIONS: Use your context clues to determine the meaning of the underlined vocabulary words. Then, if needed, find the word’s definition in your notes or by using the dictionary.**
2. "Ah, Cassie, leave him be," Stacey admonished, frowning and kicking testily at the road.

Your concluded definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Correct definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. John and Christopher-John nudged Little Man, and the three of us forced ourselves to stare into the fire in feigned disinterest.

Your concluded definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Correct definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. "If he don't," said Little Man ominously, "I betcha Uncle Hammer'll teach that ole Mr. Simms a thing or two.

Your concluded definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Correct definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. When we caught up with them, it was obvious that the jovial mask T.J. always wore had been stripped away.

Your concluded definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Correct definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. The heat swooped low over the land clinging like an invisible shroud and through it people moved slowly lethargically, as if under water.

Your concluded definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Correct definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. "Hush, Cassie," Stacey said, his eyes intent on the men.

Your concluded definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Correct definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. The last days of school before Christmas seemed interminable.

Your concluded definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Correct definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Comprehension: Short Answer. DIRECTIONS: Read the questions below and answer them in detailed, complete sentences. Be sure to use evidence from the book to help support your answers.**
2. Who do you think is the protagonist in the book? Why?
3. Which characters are minor characters, instead of major/ main characters? List them
4. Harlan Granger is motivated by many things in this book. What are they? Explain why they influence him strongly.
5. What are some of the smaller settings where the story takes place?
6. The time period and setting of Mississippi play an important factor in our book. How does it affect our characters? Be able to explain the effects on 4 or more characters.
7. For what reasons are the Logan’s struggling to pay their mortgage?
8. Throughout the book, we see TJ as a comical character, often hurting others with the way he acts and what he says. What happens in the book to show us TJ cannot be trusted?
9. List the character traits that describe each of these characters: Stacy, Big Ma, Jeremy, and Mr. Morrison.
10. The Wallace Store is brought up several times in the beginning of the book in order to hint at its importance later on. What story element uses clues to help readers predict what events will happen later in a story?
11. Which conflicts in our story are later diminished once the trees and cotton set on fire?
12. Describe several conflicts our narrator and main character, Cassie, is involved with.
13. The resolution of a book is how all of the problems and conflicts are solved at the very end of the story. What do you is resolved at the end of the story? Explain
14. **Figurative Language. DIRECTIONS: Identify the types of figurative language that are used in these quotes from the book**
15. The boys and I worked wordlessly. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
16. …the muddy forest floor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
17. The information cut into Little Man’s brain. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
18. …like a lopsided billy goat on it’s knees. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
19. Ain’t they something? I come to see ‘bout ya’ll. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
20. …just as burnt as you are. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
21. Mr. Morrison appeared, moving silently like a jungle cat \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
22. They were as tight with a penny as anyone. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
23. **Figurative Language. DIRECTIONS: Create your own figurative language examples from the book to test your classmates.**

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