

The Kite Runner Chapter 22-25 Comprehension Questions

Chapter 22

1. What does Amir notice about the "John Lennon's" arm?
2. What did the "John Lennon" notice about Amir?
3. What has happened to Sohrab?
4. Who did "John Lennon" turn out to be?
5. Assef said Amir could take Sohrab on one condition. What was that condition and why?
6. What did Assef tell his guards when he asked them to leave? What happened?
7. Why did Amir laugh?
8. Explain how everything came full circle. Where is the irony in the situation?
9. Why did Amir tell Sohrab the truth about his relationship with Hassan?
10. What did Amir promise Sohrab?
11. What did Sohrab agree to do?
12. What steps did Amir have to take in order to bring Sohrab home?

Chapter 23

1. Describe Amir's injuries.
2. Which of Amir's injuries was ironic? Why?
3. What did Sohrab say when Amir introduced himself?
4. Why do you think Sohrab didn't want to talk?
5. Why did Rahim Khan say Baba was so hard on Amir growing up? Do you think that is fair?
6. Why do you think Rahim Khan wants to die alone? What would you want if you were in his situation?
7. Why did Amir begin crying with Farid said, "For you a thousand times over" (305)?
8. Where are John and Betty Caldwell?
9. Why do you think Rahim Khan lied?
10. Where do you think Sohrab belongs?

Chapter 24

1. Describe Peshawar.
2. What was the hotel room like?
3. Why doesn't Farid stay the night? What does Amir give him before he goes? Why?
4. Why doesn't Mr. Fayyaz charge Amir for a ride to look for Sorhab?
5. Where do they finally find him?
6. What do Amir and Sorhab talk about as they are sitting together?
7. What does Amir give Sorhab? What does Sorhab say about his family?
8. Describe Sorhab's character as we know him so far. Give examples from the text to support your answer.
9. When Amir tells Sorhab about the fact that he is his father's brother, he tells him that Baba loved them both equally, but differently. Do you think this is a true description of his love? What else does Amir say about Baba? Who is he ashamed of?
10. What is Sorhab's answer when Amir asks him to come home with him? (p.235) What are some of his concerns?
11. When Amir calls Soraya, Soraya tells him that they have been worried sick about him. Amir tells Soraya to, "tell Jamilla to stop killing sheep." What does this mean?
12. What does Soraya say about Amir bringing Sorhab home?
13. What happens when Amir and Sorhab visit the American Embassy?
14. What technicality is holding up the process of adoption? Why is this so ironic?
15. Where do Amir and Sorhab have to go next?
16. Describe Omar Faisal.
17. Why is Sorhab upset that he may have to go back to an orphanage? Would this be a permanent thing?
18. What do you predict happened to Sorhab at the end of the chapter?
19. What did Amir mean when he said, "Islamabad was the city Kabul could have become someday" (311).
20. How much did Amir give Farid?
21. Where did Sohrab go?
22. Amir remembers someone once saying, "There are a lot of children in Afghanistan, but little childhood" (318). What does that mean?
23. Why does Sohrab think he might go to hell?
24. What did Andrews at the American embassy say?

25. Why do you think Sohrab took such long baths every night?
26. What does the immigration lawyer say may be Amir's best shot at adopting Sohrab? What happened to Sohrab?

Chapter 25

1. Why did Amir pray for the first time since Baba died?
2. What was the last thing Sohrab said for almost a year? Why?
3. What did Amir tell his family about Sohrab?
4. What gave Amir a glimpse of hope for Sohrab's future?
5. What is the significance of Amir telling Sohrab, "for you, a thousand times over"?
6. Amir discovers a new dimension to himself: faith. How does that fit in with his redemption? (345)
7. When Amir thinks about "recklessness," he realizes how reckless he was with Sohrab. What did he do that was reckless? (350)
8. What is General Taheri worried about and how does Amir answer him? (360)
9. Why do the Afghans gather at Lake Elizabeth Park? (364)
10. What happens as Amir runs the kite for Sohrab? (370)
11. On page 357, Amir narrates, "If someone were to ask me today if the story of Hassan, Sohrab and me ends with happiness...I wouldn't know how to answer that question." How would you answer that question?