

Pictures of Hollis Woods Study Guide

Directions: Students may answer the following questions verbally or in writing. They may use it as a reference during class discussion. A list of the chapters is included on page 2 for reference.

Pages 1-17

1. What foster home is Hollis dropped off at in the beginning of the book?
2. Why is Hollis no longer living with the Regans? What went wrong?
3. Why is Hollis confused about Steven's relationship with his dad?

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4. Describe her first fishing experience? How did she feel about the Regans?
5. How does Josie boost Hollis's self-esteem when they go to the movies?
6. Why does Hollis try not to think about her W picture when she is staying with Josie?
7. What is Hollis realizing is unusual about Josie?

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8. What are half the arguments in the Regan house about?
9. What does Hollis call Mr. Regan and do you think it is disrespectful? Find evidence to support your opinion
10. What does Hollis hear from both places she stayed that confirms her identity as a talented artist?
11. How do these viewpoints compare to things she heard about herself from other foster homes?

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12. What does Hollis tell Mr. Regan about her past?
13. Who shows up unexpectedly at Josie's and what happens?
14. Who is Beatrice and where is she going?

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15. Describe what happens in the chapter titled Driving the Truck
16. Why is Hollis disappointed when the Mustard Lady makes another surprise visit?
17. What does the Old Man compare about Steven and Hollis? How do you think it makes Steven feel?

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18. Does Hollis do a good job taking care of Josie and planning for their time away? Why or why not?
19. What conversation does Hollis overhear the Old Man and Izzy having? About adopting her
20. What simile does Hollis use to think about the idea of fitting into the family? "was trying to fit me into a family like jamming in a puzzle piece that didn't match? Would it ruin all the other pieces?"

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21. Describe the scenes Hollis captures in her 9th and 10th pictures. How is she feeling?

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22. How does Steven show he loves Hollis as a sister?

23. What happened to change everything and whose fault was it?

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24. What special holiday do Hollis and Josie celebrate together?

25. What made Hollis run away from the Regans?

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26. What does she see in her pictures that she hadn't noticed before?

27. What is a theme you see throughout the book?

Story sequence Pictures of Hollis Woods

1. First picture. X-6 years old mountain of trouble
2. Chapter 1--meeting Josie
3. Second picture--Steven playing checkers
4. Chapter 2--The time with Josie. 3 weeks, absences. Talks to Steven in her head
5. Third Picture--fishing the Delaware 26
6. The Time with Josie chapter 3
7. Fourth Picture--The Old Man's Mountain, from the porch
8. The Time with Josie chapter 4
9. Fifth picture--The Old Man
10. The time with Josie chapter 5-6
11. Sixth picture--Driving the truck
12. The time with Josie chapter 7
13. Seventh picture--Izzy
14. The time with Josie chapter 8
15. Eighth picture--End of summer
16. The Time with Josie--Chapter 9-10 running away
17. Ninth picture--Izzy's cake
18. The time with Josie chp 11
19. Tenth picture Hollis Woods
20. The time with Josie chapter 12
21. Eleventh picture--on the mountain
22. Chapter 13 The time with Josie
23. Twelfth picture A Mountain of Trouble
24. Chapter 14 The Time with Josie
25. Thirteenth picture--the conference room
26. The time with Josie chapter 15-17
27. Fourteenth picture Christina