

YEAR 11 - Unit 1 Holiday Homework

Read the "Text Montana 1948" by Larry Watson

Read the text at least twice

Think about:

- What happens in the story
- What are the characters like?

Montana 1948

Brief overview of Prologue

David introduces himself as the narrator of the story and we discover that he is remembering the events of 1948 40 years later.

In 1948, David was 12 years of age and refers to 3 memories:

- His father on his knees begging his mother for help
- His mother at the window holding a 12 gauge shotgun
- Marie Little Soldier, feverish, delirious and very ill

Other memories are not clear.

David explains that his father died 10 years ago, a painful death

David's mother died 2 years prior, a good death

Marie's fate not explained in the prologue as her story needs to be told in detail

Task 1

Complete the following table by providing 6 Six main ideas/information about each character.

The information that you provide should reflect the three different parts of the book

Characters in the book

Record information about the character

David Hayden	
Wesley Hayden	
Gail Hayden	
Dr Frank Hayden	
Gloria Hayden	
Julian Hayden	
Enid Hayden	
Marie Little Soldier	
Len McAuley	
Ollie Young Bear	

The above activity needs to be completed in your workbook.

Task 2

Answer the following questions in complete sentences. Make sure that you provide all the relevant information.

1. How did David feel about his father's job? (pages 15-16)
2. Why did he feel like this?
3. How did David's mother feel about Wesley's job as sheriff? (19-21)
4. How did David's grandfather keep control of the position of sheriff? (9P20-21)
5. What do we learn about his actions and character?
6. Why did Wesley leave his job as a lawyer to become sheriff of Mercer County? (p21)
7. Give three examples of discrimination against Native Americans.
Ronnie Tall Bear: three examples of discrimination
Marie Little Soldier: three examples of discrimination

Wes and Frank's Attitude towards the Native Americans

1. What do the conversations between Wes and Frank reveal about their prejudice against Native Americans?
Pp.34-35 and p.42. Explain in detail

Julian's attitude towards his two sons

1. How does Julian feel about his two sons? Pp35-38
Explain in detail

Wes and Gail's Attitude towards Marie's allegations against Frank

Read the conversation between Gail and Wes (pp.45-47)

1. Does Wes believe Marie? Explain in detail
Give two quotes to support your answer.
2. Does Gail believe her? Explain in detail and provide one quote

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