Angry River  
By Ruskin Bond

Chapters 1 (5–15) Week 1

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1. What is the setting to the story? (Use both settings: time and place)

2. Why was the peepul tree sacred?

3. Who are the main characters in the story?

4. Why did Sita not read or write? What did she do instead?

5. What is wrong with Grandmother? What is she eating?

6. Where was Grandfather planning to take Grandmother tomorrow? Why?

7. What should Sita do if the water rises? List each thing her Grandfather told her to do.

8. Why might Grandmother not come back?

9. What event would go in the blank?

| Grandfather mends a net. | Sati helps Grandma. |  | Sati goes outside to Grandfather. |

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2. Where was she when the hyenas fastened on to her leg? Why was she there?

3. How did snakes help the people of the island?

4. What kind of shoes did Sita wear? Why do you think that is?

5. Who was Sita’s friend on the island? Where did this friend come from?

6. Why did Sita have secrets? To whom did she tell these secrets?

7. Why was Grandfather getting the boat ready?

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Chapters 4 (24–40) Week 3

You must answer a total of 5 questions. One of those question must be number 5. Use your book to make sure your spelling is accurate. Write your answer on a separate sheet of paper, restate the question inside the answer, and elaborate.

1. Why do you think the goats were in the boat? What do you think is the reason that Grandfather was taking them?

2. How had the river changed over night? What was different about the river?

3. Sita thought the boat would be carried down stream about half a mile before they reached the opposite shore. Why would this happen?

4. What chores did Sita do in the house? Why did she do them?

5. What were the three valuable things in the house? Why were they valuable?

6. What fears did the wooden bedstead confirm? How did this confirm them?

7. What items did Sita put in the trunk? Why did she put them in there?

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1. What items did Sita see float down the river as she sat in the tree?

2. When did Sita realize that she had forgotten Mumta? How did this change her thinking?

3. What things did Sita watch float out of the hut?

4. Why was the tree shaking? What was happening and why?

5. What happened to the crow and eggs? How did that make Sita feel and why?

6. How did Sita get out of the tree? Do you think this was best? Why or why not?

7. What event would go in the blank?

Sita sees things float down river.  Sita sees things leave the hut.  Sita sees only the roof of the hut.

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1. Where was the boy from? What was he doing when the river flooded?
2. Where were the children going in the boat? Why were they going there?
3. What was Sita’s lunch and dinner? Where did she get it?
4. How did the children escape the strong flow of the river?
5. Where did they spend the night? How did the boy keep them safe?
6. Why were the animals not interested in hunting each other or the children?
7. How did the boy help pass the time after the elephant?
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Chapters 9 -10 (76 – 88)  Week 6  

You must answer a total of 5 questions. One of those question must be number 6. Use your book to make sure your spelling is accurate. Write your answer on a separate sheet of paper, restate the question inside the answer, and elaborate.

1. Why was traveling to the city difficult for Sita?

2. Why did Grandfather nor recognize Sita right away?

3. Where was Grandmother? How did Sita and Grandfather feel about it?

4. How did Sita feel the relationship between Grandfather and herself would be different? Why?

5. How many goats had Grandfather had to sell to help Grandmother?

6. Where did Sita and her grandfather sleep the first three nights back on the island?

7. How was the island different?

8. What had happened to the trunk that Sita packed before the flood? Was this good or bad?

9. What took the boy so long to come visit Sita?

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TEACHER’ KEY

Angry River
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Chapters 1 (5–15)

You must answer a total of 5 questions. One of those question must be number 8. Use your book to make sure your spelling accurate. Write your answer on a separate sheet of paper, restate the question inside the answer and elaborate.

1. What is the setting to the story?
   The middle of the river.
2. Why was the peepul tree sacred?
   It was the home of good and bad spirits.
3. Who are the main characters in the story?
   Sita, Grandma and Grandpa.
4. Why did Sita not read or write? What did she do instead?
   Her grandparents couldn’t read or write. She did chores.
5. What is wrong with Grandmother? What is she eating?
   She was sic, weak. Suck justice from oranges
6. Where was Grandfather planning to take Grandmother tomorrow? Why?
   To the Dr. She was very sick.
7. What should Sita do if the water rises? List each thing her Grandfather told her to do.
   1. Keep to high ground  
   2. Take hens in hut and stay there 
   3. Climb the Peepul tree.
8. Why might Grandmother not come back?
   She might die, Hospital might keep her.
9. What event would go in the blank?

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Grandfather mends net.       Sati helps Grandma       Grandma falls asleep.       Sati goes outside to Grandfather.
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1. On page 17, Ruskin Bond tells the reader that the hyenas "fastened on to her leg." What does this phrase mean?
   **Bit her.**
2. Where was she when the hyenas fastened on to her leg? Why was she there?
   **She was visiting her mom's village.**
3. How did snakes help the people of the island?
   **They kept down the number of frogs and rats.**
4. What kind of shoes did Sita wear? Why do you think that is?
   **She didn't wear any. Answers will vary.**
5. Who was Sita's friend on the island? Where did this friend come from?
   **Mamta— She mad the rag doll with Grandmothers help.**
6. Why did Sita have secrets? To whom did she tell these secrets?
   **It was fun to have secrets. So she told her Doll.**
7. Why was Grandfather getting the boat ready?
   **To take Grandma to the hospital.**
8. Sita thought that it might be the last time she milked the goat. Why did she think that?
   **Grandpa may have to sell goats for Grandma.**

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1. Why do you think the goats were in the boat? What do you think the reason that Grandfather was taking them?
   **Goats were there in case he needed to sell them to pay for Grandma.**

2. How had the river changed over night? What was different about the river?
   **Muddy, no longer blue green.**

3. Sita thought the boat would be carried down stream about half a mile before they reached the opposite shore. Why would this happen?
   **The river was moving so quickly, and the boat so slowly.**

4. What chores did Sita do in the house? Why did she do them?
   1. **Fed hens**
   2. **Sweep hut**
   3. **Made food**

5. What were the three valuable things in the house? Why were they valuable?
   1. **Grandfather's hook-pipe**
   2. **Grandma's walking stick**
   3. **Tin trunk.**

6. What fears did the wooden bedstead confirm? How did this confirm them?
   **Her worst fears were confirmed that the river might carry her house away.**

7. **What items did Sita put in the trunk? Why did she put them in there?**
   **All the valuables and food to keep them from floating away.**

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1. What items did Sita see float down the river as she sat in the tree?
   1. Drowned cattle, 2. kettle, 3. chair 4. household stuff
2. When did Sita realize that she had forgotten Mumta? How did this change her thinking?
   Saw the plastic doll floating down the river.
3. What things did Sita watch float out of the hut?
   Empty kerosene tin, large pumpkin, red turban, mamta
4. Why was the tree shaking? What was happening and why?
   Wind and rain pushed it. It was shaking it from its roots.
5. What happened to the crow and eggs? How did that make Sita feel and why?
   The crow flew around the nest until the eggs dropped in the water, it made her scared that she might die.
6. How did Sita get out of the tree? Do you think this was best? Why or why not?
   A boat with a boy came.
7. What event would go in the blank?

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1. Where was the boy from? What was he doing when the river flooded?
   “Near the foothills”; He was carrying news across the river about the flood.
2. Where were the children going in the boat? Why were they going there?
   Where ever the river would take them. The river was too strong.
3. What was Sita’s lunch and dinner? Where did she get it?
   Mangos  The boy Krishan
4. How did the children escape the strong flow of the river?
   Rowing really hard for the trees.
5. Where did they spend the night? How did the boy keep them safe?
   In the boat, in the river, he tied the boat to a tree.
6. Why were the animals not interesting in hunting each other or the children?
   They were trying to escape the flood.
7. How did the boy help pass the time after the elephant?
   Played his flute.
8. Why did the boy not accompany Sita? What did he give her instead?
   He went to hind this own people. He gave her the flute.

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   - It was muddy—hard for the cart to go.

2. Why did Grandfather not recognize Sita right away?
   - She was dirty with mess up clothes.

3. Where was Grandmother? How did Sita and Grandfather feel about it?
   - She died. Sad but was happy. She wouldn't suffer any more.

4. How did Sita feel the relationship between Grandfather and herself would be different? Why?
   - She would have to take care of him now.

5. How many goats had Grandfather had to sell to help Grandmother?
   - He sold one, he still had two left.

6. Where did Sita and her grandfather sleep the first three nights back on the island?
   - A crude shelter made of jute bags.

7. How was the island different?
   - The tree was gone.

8. What had happened to the trunk that Sita packed before the flood? Was this good or bad?
   - Trunk and stuff in it was there, but the clothing and food were spoiled.

9. What took the boy so long to come visit Sita?
   - He had to wait until the rains were over.

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