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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Tuck Everlasting

Author:

Natalie Babbitt

Date Started:

Date Finished:

Keep reading. Keep wondering.
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How to Answer

Your answer does not have to be perfect. Just answer in complete thoughts and use details from the chapter.

How to structure your answer

A strong answer usually has a few parts. Try these steps:

1. **Answer the question.** Start with one sentence that answers the question directly.
2. **Give an example.** Add a detail or moment from the chapter that shows what you mean.
3. **Explain why.** Tell why it mattered, or how it made you think or feel.
4. **Wrap it up.** Finish with a closing thought, a question, or a prediction.

In Chapter 12, Angus Tuck talks about life as a wheel. What do you think he means, and why is this idea important?

Example answer: I think Angus means that life is supposed to keep moving, like a wheel turning around. People are born, grow up, get older, and die, and that is part of nature. The Tucks are stuck outside that wheel because they cannot change or die. This idea is important because it helps Winnie see that living forever might not be as wonderful as it sounds.

How to Answer (continued)

In Chapter 19, the man in the yellow suit explains his plan for the spring water. Why would this plan be dangerous or unfair?

Example answer: I think his plan is dangerous because he wants to sell the water without caring what might happen to people. If many people drank it, they might not understand the serious choice they were making. It is also unfair because he only wants money and power from a secret that belongs to the Tucks and the wood. He does not seem to care about protecting anyone.

In Chapter 22, Winnie decides to help Mae. What does this decision show about Winnie's courage and sense of right and wrong?

Example answer: Winnie's decision shows that she is much braver than she was at the beginning of the book. She knows she could get in trouble, but she also believes Mae should not be punished in a way that would reveal the secret. I think Winnie is learning that doing the right thing is not always easy. She is making her own choice instead of just obeying adults.

Chapter 1

In Chapter 1, the author describes Treegap, the road, and the wood. How does this setting make you feel, and what details create that feeling?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

In Chapter 25, Winnie must face the results of her choice. How do the ending events show that growing up can mean making difficult decisions?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Chapter 2 introduces Mae Tuck and her special trip every ten years. What do you learn about Mae, and why might this trip be important to her?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

In Chapter 3, Winnie talks about wanting to run away. What is making Winnie feel trapped, and what do you think she is hoping to find?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

In Chapter 24, Winnie takes Mae's place in the jail cell. What risks does Winnie accept, and why is she willing to take them?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

In Chapter 23, Winnie thinks about the toad and the bottle of spring water. What might the toad symbolize, or stand for, to Winnie?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

In Chapter 4, the man in the yellow suit asks questions and notices things. What makes him seem mysterious or suspicious?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

In Chapter 5, Winnie meets Jesse by the spring. Why do the Tucks react so strongly when Winnie sees Jesse drink from it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

In Chapter 22, Winnie decides to help Mae. What does this decision show about Winnie's courage and sense of right and wrong?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

In Chapter 21, Winnie returns home, but things are not simple. How has she changed since she left her yard?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

In Chapter 6, the Tucks take Winnie with them and try to explain. How do their actions seem both wrong and understandable?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Chapter 7 explains what happened to the Tuck family after they drank from the spring. How did they discover the spring had changed them?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

In Chapter 20, Mae makes a sudden choice to protect Winnie and the secret. Do you think Mae's action was right, wrong, or both? Explain.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

In Chapter 19, the man in the yellow suit explains his plan for the spring water. Why would this plan be dangerous or unfair?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

In Chapter 8, Winnie rides with the Tucks. How do her feelings about them begin to change, and what causes the change?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

In Chapter 9, Winnie meets Angus Tuck. What does his reaction to Winnie tell you about what he thinks of the spring?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

In Chapter 18, Winnie has to think about what she has learned from the Tucks. What choice or problem is becoming hardest for her?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

In Chapter 17, Miles and Winnie go fishing and talk about life. How does Miles's story help Winnie understand the Tucks better?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

The Tucks' home in Chapter 10 is very different from Winnie's home. What do these differences show about the two families?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

In Chapter 11, Winnie spends her first night with the Tucks. Why might she feel comforted even though she is far from home?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

In Chapter 16, the constable and the man in the yellow suit travel together. How are their attitudes about finding Winnie different?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

In Chapter 15, the man in the yellow suit makes a deal with Winnie's family. How does he use their fear to get what he wants?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

In Chapter 12, Angus Tuck talks about life as a wheel. What do you think he means, and why is this idea important?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

In Chapter 13, the man in the yellow suit takes the Tucks' horse. What can you predict he plans to do next, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

In Chapter 14, Jesse talks to Winnie about drinking the water when she is older. What does this show about Jesse and his way of thinking?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
