

Chapter 11 (TAKES PLACE IN THE PAST)

- Begins with Kate figuring out the information on Pye family from Mrs. Vernon
- Kate remembers life as a fog “smoke drifting through trees” – Everything is automatic
- Mrs. Carrington comes home to see Luke – comments about Kate being so quiet
- House in disarray: dirty dishes, laundry everywhere, a mess – Visualizes that family is struggling
- Fight at school: Alex Kirby (random farm kid) and Laurie Pye
- Kate observes marks (bruises) on Laurie’s back. Laurie leaves school, never to return
- Chapter ends in present: Kate reflecting on her inability to put the bruises and stories about Pye family together, so she didn’t report anything. Foreshadowing: “wouldn’t have made any difference”

Chapter 12 (TAKES PLACE IN THE PAST)

- Kate (in present) remembers letters to Aunt Annie
- Increased frustration between Matt and Luke: What is the heart of the frustration? What are their roles?
- Incident between Luke and Sally McLean: What happened?
- Pressure on Luke as a result of Matt’s teasing and Sally McLean incident