

Chapter 3 (TAKES PLACE IN THE PRESENT)

- Daniel's family: Educated – History of professors and all “experts in their fields”
- Kate's Family: Doesn't talk about relationships. Hides emotions and problems
- Daniel wants to know all about Kate – creates tension/conflict in relationship
- Foreshadowing Pye family
- Use of memories: Mrs. Vernon telling the history of Crow Lake to Kate and Kate reminiscing about these conversations later in life
- Pye family: Jackson Pye and his sons

Chapter 4 (TAKES PLACE IN THE PAST)

- Flashes back to the past and Aunt Annie's arrival
- Aunt Annie assists family to get everything in order
- Returning to the ponds – what do ponds represent? (Matt, Kate, Bo)
- Meeting Marie Pye on road – “What are you going to do? What's going to happen?”
- Kate's reaction and the plan to split up the family

Chapter 5 (TAKES PLACE IN PAST)

- Still Kate's memories – Aunt Annie at the house
- The visit with Ms. Clarrington and the “tragedy of Matt” – What is tragedy?

Chapter 6 (TAKES PLACE IN PRESENT BUT THEN MOSTLY IN PAST)

- “Oh the chances, the fragile little incidents which determine the course of our lives” – FATE
- Luke's disappearance and the realization that Luke cares about his siblings
- The determination of the spider dragging a mayfly: moral lesson? And then Bo kills it

Chapter 7 (TAKES PLACE IN PAST)

- Luke still not home
- Matt's cool demeanor towards Aunt Annie. Talks a little about working for Calvin Pye and how he is “insane”
- Luke returns and discusses his plan to raise the family. What are the kid's reactions?