

Skellig Chapters 11-20 Comprehension Questions

Chapter 11

1. What does Rasputin say humans evolved from?
2. What does Michael tell Mrs Dando he is worried about?
3. What story does Miss Clarts tell the class about?

Chapter 12

1. Who is at home when Michael gets back from school?
2. What does Dad say has to happen to the baby?
3. What does Michael's mum say shoulder blades are?

Chapter 13

1. Where does Mina take Michael?
2. Who comes with them?
3. What is in the attic?
4. What does Mina make Michael promise?

Chapter 14

1. What does Michael's Dad suggest that morning?
2. What does Michael do while his Dad is painting?
3. Where do Michael and his Dad go in the afternoon?
4. What are Michael and his Dad having for supper?

Chapter 15

1. Where is Mina educated?
2. What do we find out about Mina's dad?
3. What does Michael show Mina how to do?

Chapter 16

1. Who does Michael go to visit just before dawn?
2. How did the man find out about 27 and 53?
3. What else does he ask for?
4. Who does Michael want to get help from?

Chapter 17

1. What is Mina doing when Michael finds her in her front garden?
2. Which poet does Mina quote from?
3. What sound does Michael hear when he concentrates?

Chapter 18

1. What is wrong with the lady Michael meets on the top floor?
2. What four things does Doctor MacNabola recommend for arthritis, if surgery is not option?
3. Which three things does Michael get ready to go and see Mina?

Chapter 19

1. Who does Michael meet for the first time at Mina's house?
2. What is Mina doing in the kitchen?
3. What is Michael trying to make when the clay starts to crumble?

Chapter 20

1. Where does Michael take Mina?
2. What does the man's cheek feel like?
3. What is the process Mina describes where bones harden?
4. Who arrives and comforts the man?

Answers

Chapter 11

- 1 Apes / monkeys.
- 2 He thinks that sometimes the baby stops breathing.
- 3 Polyphemus and Ulysses.

Chapter 12

- 1 Doctor Death.
- 2 She has to go back into hospital.
- 3 They are where our wings were when we were angels, and where they will grow again one day.

Chapter 13

- 1 A boarded-up house in Crow Road.
- 2 Whisper, the cat.
- 3 A nest of owls.
- 4 To tell no-one.

Chapter 14

- 1 That Michael stays off school.
- 2 He starts to clear the weeds in the garden.
- 3 The hospital, to see the baby.
- 4 Chinese takeaway – 27 and 53.

Chapter 15

- 1 At home.
- 2 He died before she was born.
- 3 Hoot like an owl.

Chapter 16

- 1 The man in the garage.
- 2 He heard Ernie ordering it on the phone.
- 3 Brown ale.
- 4 Mina.

Chapter 17

- 1 Copying a picture of a bird skeleton.
- 2 William Blake.
- 3 The blackbird chicks cheeping in their nest.

Chapter 18

- 1 She has arthritis.
- 2 Keep cheerful; don't give up; remain active; take cod liver oil.
- 3 Brown ale; a penknife; cod liver oil capsules.

Chapter 19

- 1 Mina's mum.
- 2 Making clay models of birds.
- 3 A clay model of the baby.

Chapter 20

- 1 To the garage to meet the man.
- 2 Dry and cold.
- 3 Calcification.
- 4 Whisper, the cat.