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The Glass Castle Study Guide, Chapters 5-11 (pp. 26 to 50)

**Section II: The Desert**

1. How do Rex and Mary Rose meet? Despite his mistrust of the government, Rex served where? (2:5)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Who was Mary Charlene? What happened to her? What was significant about this incident? (2:5)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What is Mary Rose's philosophy on parenting? Do you agree or disagree with her? (2:5)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What happens to Mary Rose's ring? Where did she get it? (2:5)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. On the way to Las Vegas, what happens to Jeannette? Why does she compare herself to Quixote, the cat? Why does she end up laughing? (2:6)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. Why do the Walls travel to Las Vegas? How does their life change? Why do they have to leave? (2:7)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. Where do they go next? What does SRO really stand for and what kind of hotel is it? How does Jeannette amuse herself? Why is this so fascinating to her? What happens to the hotel? (2:7)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8. Why do they leave San Francisco? (2:7)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
9. How and where do they go next? What prompts them to settle in that particular place? How does it affect Rose Mary? What does Rex do that we haven't see up until now? (2:8)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
10. What is Rex' nickname for Jeannette? What advice does Rex give to her? Do you agree/disagree? (2:8)

11. What happens to JuJu and how does it affect Brian? What is Rex' attitude toward the cats and what does he do with them? What is Rose Mary's reaction? (2:8)

12. When Jeannette says she wants to dig up the Joshua Tree sapling to protect it and help it grow straight and tall, Mary Rose says, "You'd be destroying what makes it special. It's the Joshua tree's struggle that gives it beauty." Explain. (2:8)?

13. How do the Walls celebrate Christmas? What does Rex give to Jeannette and the kids for Christmas? What else happens to Rex? (2:9)

14. What happens on the trip to Blythe? What does this reveal about Rex and Rose Mary's relationship? (2:10)

15. What happens to Jeannette and Brian in Blyth? How does this affect their relationship? (2:10)

16. What major event happens while they are in Blythe? (2:10)

17. Describe Rex' run-in with the police. (2:11)

18. Describe the trip from Blythe to Battle Mountain. How do the Walls get there? What does this say about Rex and Rose Mary? (2:11)