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**The Glass Castle Study Guide**

**Welch: Chapters 21 – 27 (pages 214 – 241)**

1. What does Rex do that puts more financial pressures on Jeannette? How does she respond? (3:21)

2. Describe Mr. Becker and how he treats Jeannette? How does this make Jeannette feel? What does she do about it? What is the symbolism of the item? (3:21)

3. How has Lori’s summer camp experience changed her? How has Rose Mary changed and what does she plan to do? What is ironic about her statement: “It’s time I did something for myself. It’s time I started living my life for me.” (3:22)

4. Analyze the impact that Jeannette and Rose Mary’s fight has on their relationship. On Jeannette’s relationship with her father. What does she promise herself as a result of the fight? (3:22)

5. On page 223, Walls writes, “But Lori began to see New York as a sort of Emerald City …” What literary device is she using? What is the Emerald City? What does this particular expression add to the imagery? How does Walls extend this imagery later in the chapter?(3:23)

6. Where and why do Jeannette and Lori plan to go? What is the escape fund? What does it represent to the sisters? (3:23)

7. How does Rose Mary feel about Lori’s plan to go to NYC? How do you know this? (3:24)

8. How does Rex feel about the plans? How do you know this? Give at least 2 examples from the book that show this. (3:24)

8. What is ironic about Rex’s advice to Lori: “She’d get mugged and find herself on the streets, he warned, forced into prostitution and winding up a drug addict like all those runaway teenagers.” (3:24)

9. What does Rex do to the sisters to sabatoge their plans? What creative idea does Jeannette have to ensure Lori escapes Welch? (3:24)

10. What honor does Jeannette earn at the beginning of her junior year? What does Jeannette do to improve the paper and what does it show about her personality? (3:25)

11. What celebrity visits Welch that year and what sets this person apart? What is Rex’ attitude toward this person? What effect does it have on his relationship with Jeannette? (3:25)

12. How does Lori describe New York City? In her junior year, how does Jeannette plan to get to NYC? What is her counselor’s reaction? What do you think of the advice that Miss Katona gave to Jeannette? (3:26)

13. What is Rose Mary’s reaction to Jeannette wanting to leave for NYC? What is Rex’s reaction to Jeannette’s plan? What does he start talking about and how does Jeannette respond? (3:26)

14. Explain how all the family members handle Jeannette’s leaving? Give specific details. (3:27)

15. **Evaluate** Jeannette’s plan and decision to leave Welch and go to NYC at the end of her junior year. Give at least 3 specific details to support your argument. (3:27)