

The Pigman
Study Guide

Discussion Questions: Chapters 7-8 (Answer all parts of all questions!)

A. "I am angry at (disappointed with) myself."

B. "I am angry at (disappointed with) others."

Identify the statement above that best fits with each character below and explain why:

John Conlan _____

Lorraine Jensen _____

Mr. Pignati _____

Mrs. Jensen _____

Mrs. Conlan _____

Mr. Conlan _____

Which type of character do you prefer? Why?



"Do not go gentle into that good night...
Rage, rage against the dying of the light."
--Dylan Thomas

"Why fear death? Death is only a beautiful adventure."
--Charles Frohman

Which quote best sums up the views of John? Why?

Which quote best sums up the views of Lorraine? Why?

Which quote best sums up the views of Mr. Pignati? Why?

Why does Mr. Pignati say his wife went on a trip instead of telling John and Lorraine the truth? How is this lie like the ones John often tells? How is it different?

Describe Lorraine's reactions to Mr. Pignati's gifts. Why does she react this way? How does John react? How would you react? Why?