

Aphasia Book Club
The Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride
Chapters 13-16 Summary

Chapter 13:

- Murray drops Jason off at home after checking off the first wish on Jason's list.
- Murray decides to meet Jason's father properly; Jason's father doesn't seem to think Murray is helping Jason very much
- The next wish on Jason's list is hitting a homerun in a baseball stadium, but Jason has never played baseball before. Murray plans to call on some old connections for help.
- Jason asks Murray to go to one of his treatments at the hospital.

Chapter 14:

- Murray drives to the hospital to meet Jason for his treatment. There is a cop driving behind him, which makes Murray nervous, but he doesn't get pulled over.
- At the hospital, Murray learns that Tiegan made a list of wishes like Jason's, even though she isn't sick.
- One of Tiegan's wishes is to play every position in a baseball game. Another one of her wishes is to have Milk Duds for a year.
- Tiegan and Murray talk about baseball. Murray talks about having seen Tiegan's great-grandmother play back in the day.
- The doctor checks Jason's vitals. Murray thinks the doctor sounds concerned about Jason. Jason lies to the doctor about how much he uses his oxygen.
- Tiegan adds a fifth wish to her list: to raise 1 million dollars for homeless people.

Chapter 15:

- Murray goes to the grocery store after leaving the hospital.
- At the grocery store, he sees his "friend" Harmony, who works as the grocery store cashier.
- Murray buys Chef Boyardee Ravioli for himself, and Milk Duds for Tiegan.

- Harmony is overly friendly to Murray, and he finds his temper rising. Due to his annoyance, he drives home quickly at a speed of 35 miles per hour (his fastest yet).
- Jason emails Murray and Tiegan to invite them over to his house for dinner. Murray does not understand Jason's email slang, so Tiegan interprets it for him.
- Tiegan reminds Jason of the time he tried to kiss her in second grade.

Chapter 16:

- Murray gets dressed up to go to dinner at Anna and Jason's house.
- He feels out of breath, and remembers that he has forgotten to take his medication.
- Murray thinks about how he will die, and thinks about how the thought of not taking his pills reminds him to take them.
- Chance stops by. Chance and Murray get into an argument after Chance says that Murray and Jenny were only married for 50 years (they were married for 80).
- Chance apologizes for yelling at Murray, explaining that he is stressed at work.
- Murray forgives Chance, and asks Chance to give him a ride to Anna and Jason's.