Aphasia Book Club

Flowers for Algernon

Week 12: pages 259-285

Worksheet B

1. On pages 259-278, Charlie went to go visit his mother, Rose, and his sister, Norma. Are you pleased or disappointed with the visit?

I was very disappointed I was very pleased

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

2. On page 264, Charlie tells Rose, “I don’t hate you.” If you were Charlie, would you have forgiven Rose?

I would NOT forgive Rose I would forgive Rose

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

3. On page 272, Norma tells Charlie, “I hated you because they fussed over *you* all the time…[the kids at school] scribbled things on the sidewalk in the schoolyard—*Moron’s Sister* and *Dummy Gordon Family*.” Do you think these are ‘good enough’ reasons for why Norma was so horrible to Charlie?

 a. I understand Norma’s side and would hate Charlie too

 b. I understand Norma’s side, but it doesn’t justify being so horrible

 c. I don’t understand Norma’s side, and nothing could make up for how she treated Charlie

 d. Other:

4. On pages 282-284, Charlie describes this out-of-body experience while at a therapy session with Dr. Strauss. What kind of flower did Charlie describe seeing (page 284)?

 a. Rose

 b. Lotus

 c. Dandelion

 d. Tulip