

Study Guide for Literature Test  
"The Power of Heritage"

Identify the following people and places.

From "Everyday Use":

Dee/Wangero  
Maggie  
The mother  
Hakim-a-barber

From "Blue Winds Dancing":

Tom Whitecloud  
Wisconsin

From "When Heaven and Earth Change Places":

Le Ly Hayslip  
Le Ly's mother  
Le Ly's father  
Vietnam  
Viet Cong

Answer the following questions.

From "Everyday Use":

What destroyed Maggie's self confidence?

Describe Maggie's actions after Dee and her friend arrived.

Identify three things that have changed about Dee since she has been away from home.

Why does Dee want the churn and the dasher?

Why does the mother give the quilts to Maggie?

How does Maggie act different at the end of the story?

From "Blue Winds Dancing":

During what time period is this story set?

Describe two reasons why Tom Whitecloud is not happy at college.

How does Tom return to Wisconsin?

What strikes Whitecloud as strange when he first enters the lodge? What does he then remember?

From "When Heaven and Earth Change Places":

What details prove that Le Ly's mother is more strict than Le Ly's father?

Why does Le Ly's father tell her about the female warrior Phung Thi Chinh (pg 145)?

How did Le Ly's mother help Le Ly's father get the land that became their farm?

What did Le Ly's father do to protect the village during the war?

What does Le Ly's father tell Le Ly is her job?

What details prove that Le Ly's father and Le Ly do not have a traditional Vietnamese father/daughter relationship?