

Lesson Five

This lesson coincides with a diary entry dated September 9, 2018 from “Diary of Emotions: Thoughts and Feelings”. The purpose of this lesson is to understand the cause of the characters’ feelings towards each other.

Entry Date: September 9, 2018

Main Idea and Supporting Details

Place an “X” on the line beside the “main idea” of the story.

_____ Grace hates to admit that her father was right about her mother.

_____ Grace is now okay with her mother not being in her life.

_____ Grace’s mother just did not want any children.

The four statements below “support” the main idea. Fill in the blanks with the correct word.

(a) Grace’s mother did not _____ her and her siblings when they got to her.

(b) She seems to be _____ without being in contact with Grace and her siblings.

(c) Grace feels _____ about her mother being okay without her.

(d) Grace believes that her mother left for a _____.

Literary Elements: Tone

The tone is the attitude of the author towards a subject or an audience.

Based on the lines below, decide on the tone for this entry.

“In all actuality, I pretty much feel the same way. Even though I am feeling emotional about this, there is still that part of me that feels like she has not been in my life for all of these years, so I am perfectly okay with her not being in my life now.”

(a) amused

(b) resentful

(c) pragmatic

Identifying Cause and Effect

“So, I am in my feelings about the last time I called my mother and she said she did not feel like talking to anybody. This brings back memories of how my father would tell us that my mother probably would not receive us if we ever found her.”

What is the Cause? _____

What is the Effect? _____

Interpreting and Evaluating Information

Based on your reading of the text, do you think Grace is still holding a grudge against her mother for abandoning her children? Explain your answer.

Character Trait Discussion

The Character Trait for Lesson Five is “adaptable”.

Adaptable means being able to adjust to new conditions.

Read the statement below. Then choose one of the questions below and answer it. Write your answer in the space provided then discuss it with your group.

Grace shows adaptability in being okay with her mother not wanting to be with her.

1. Describe a situation where being adaptable will be advantageous to you.
2. Do you think being adaptable to new situations give you a better outlook in life?

Explain why or why not?

3. Do you think change is good or bad? Discuss.

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