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Where the Red Fern Grows

Chapter 14

Answer the following questions in **FULL and COMPLETE sentences!!**

1. What event would make you feel as happy as Billy feels about entering the championship coon hunt? Why?

2. Who do you think is more excited about the championship coon hunt, Billy or Grandpa? Why?

3. What clues from Chapter 1 suggest that Billy will win the championship hunt?

4. Why did Billy's grandfather feel guilty about Rubin's death?

Literary Device: Personification

Personification is a literary device in which an author grants human qualities to nonhuman objects, animals, or ideas.

Walking back through camp, I could feel the cold fingers of doubt squeezing my heart.

What is being personified?

What does this reveal about Billy's state of mind?

Vocabulary: Write the letter from each word with its meaning on the right.

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| _____ 1. begrudged | a. Widespread recognition |
| _____ 2. clambered | b. Animal skins |
| _____ 3. debris | c. temperament |
| _____ 4. disposition | d. Rubble; litter |
| _____ 5. fame | e. Tightly stretched |
| _____ 6. protruding | f. Sly look |
| _____ 7. leer | g. Jutting out |
| _____ 8. pelts | h. Give with ill will or reluctance |
| _____ 9. Surpass | i. Climbed with difficulty |
| _____ 10. Taut | j. Exceed; overtake |

Writing Activity:

Answer the following in a well thought out paragraph.

1. Grandpa tells Billy to try to forget the tragedy with Rubin. What parts of that memory are going to be the hardest to forget? What pictures do you think will appear in Billy's mind throughout the years? What should he think about when those memories come back to him?
