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“Initiation” – Part 4 TDQs



Directions: Base your responses on the text from “Millicent kept silent” on page 245 through the end of the short story.

1. Is the experience on the bus as embarrassing for Millicent as Bev intended it to be? Explain your reasoning using evidence from the story.

2. How does Millicent’s conversation with “the little man” on the bus change her outlook on her situation?

3. What words and phrases are used to describe “the little man”? What effect do they create?

4. What does Liane claim is the major benefit of membership in the sorority?

5. Explain the contrast between the sparrows and the heather birds.

sparrows

heather birds

6. How has Millicent's perspective on "getting into the great hall" changed since earlier in the story?

7. What outcome does Millicent hope she will achieve from declining the sorority's invitation to join?

8. What specific words and phrases contrast the basement where Millicent is with upstairs where the sorority girls are? Where is this technique used earlier in the text?

9. What exactly is "The worst part, the hardest part, the part of initiation that I figured out myself"?
