

BLM 4 Reader Response Questions: *The Night Wanderer*

Section One: Prologue to end of Chapter 7

1. Partway through Chapter 2, Tiffany mentions the wendigo, stories from her Anishinabe background. Research the wendigo, ensuring that you are using reliable sources, and find some information on the wendigo for sharing with your group. What relevance does the wendigo have for this novel?
2. Many positive aspects of the Anishinabe are presented throughout the first few chapters of the novel. What are some of these positive aspects? Describe these using examples from the novel. Be sure to explain why you see these aspects as positive.
3. Chapter 7 describes Pierre L'Errant in detail. What are some of the strange aspects of his personality? Describe him using examples from the novel. Be sure to explain why you see these aspects as strange.

Section Two: Chapter 8 to end of Chapter 14

4. Tiffany and Tony's relationship is like many teenage relationships, except for a few issues. Using examples from this section as well as the first seven chapters of the novel, describe their relationship.
5. The tension begins to rise in Chapter 11. Describe the events of this chapter, explaining how these events help the mood of the novel to change. Make some predictions about the connections between these events and the mysterious guest.
6. Tiffany is struggling in school, as we discover at the end of Chapter 11. Using examples from the novel, discuss some of the challenges she faces in life and their impact on her.

Section Three: Chapter 15 to end of Chapter 20

7. Tiffany's grandmother serves many essential roles in Tiffany's life. Describe some of those roles, using examples from the novel to support your response.
8. Throughout the novel, there are excerpts in italics that describe a young man named Owl. What do we know about Owl? Why do you think these excerpts are included? Support your response, using examples from the novel.
9. Chapter 20 gives us a good impression of Tiffany's relationship with both her parents. How does she get along with her father? How does she get along with her mother? Discuss fully, using examples from the novel to support your response.

Section Four: Chapter 21 to end of novel

10. As the novel comes to a close, the connection between Owl and Pierre L'Errant becomes clear. Describe this connection, using examples from the novel to support your response.
11. Using research from the Section One questions, as well as examples from the novel, compare the wendigo and vampires.
12. Pierre's healing is assisted by his relationship with Tiffany. Using examples from the novel, discuss how Tiffany helps him to heal.