Aphasia Book Club

Flowers for Algernon

Week 1: pages 1-25

Character List

**Charlie Gordon:** Main character; 32-year-old man with a development disability whose mental capabilities may increase with an experimental surgery.

**Dr. Strauss:** Neurologist and psychiatrist who performs the experimental surgery.

**Professor Nemur:** Scientist who runs the experiment.

**Burt Seldon:** Graduate student who helps with the experiment; gives Charlie tests to see if he is eligible for the experimental surgery.

**Miss Alice Kinnian:** Teaches class at Beekman College where Charlie takes adult classes.

**Mr. Donner:** Owner of Donners bakery where Charlie works.

**Gimpy:** Works at Donners bakery.

**Joe Carp:** Works at Donners bakery.

**Frank Reilly:** Works at Donners bakery.

**Fanny Birden:** Works at Donners bakery

**Uncle Herman:** Charlie’s uncle who used to take care of him; got Charlie the job at Donners bakery.

**Algernon:** The lab mouse who has already had the experimental surgery that Charlie has.

**Norma:** Charlie’s younger sister who lives in Brooklyn.

**Hilda and Lucille:** Charlie’s nurses after the surgery.

**Ernie:** New worker at Donners bakery.