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***The Road* by Cormac McCarthy**

**Worksheet B**

**Pages 159-175**

Last sentence on page 175: “Tell me how I am to do that.”

Please highlight or make note of any interesting or confusing passages/words you notice in your reading. If there is anything you want to note for discussion, there is space at the bottom. The following questions will be used as a guideline for discussion in our next meeting.

1. On page 161, the man and boy encounter an old man travelling alone and stop to give him food. The boy wants to help the old man, but the father is hesitant. How much do you agree with their decision?

Disagree Agree

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1. In the beginning of the book, the man walked away from a traveler on the road without stopping to help them. What do you think made the man stop this time?
   1. He wanted to help the old man.
   2. The boy wanted to stop.
   3. He wanted to be friends with the old man.
   4. He wanted to take food from the old man.
2. On page 168 the old man says, “People were always getting ready for tomorrow. I didn’t believe in that. Tomorrow wasn’t getting ready for them. It didn’t even know they were there.” What does this quote mean?
   1. People should always make plans for the future.
   2. Tomorrow is predictable.
   3. The future is uncertain and people shouldn’t rely on it.
   4. People shouldn’t talk about tomorrow.
3. Why does the father question the old man on page 171?
   1. He thinks the old man is working with the roadagents.
   2. He wants to get to know the old man better.
   3. He believes the old man has superpowers.
   4. He suspects the old man has taken their supplies.
4. The old man didn’t want to say thank you to the boy on page 173. How much do you agree with that decision?

Disagree Agree

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