**Worksheet A**

*The Maid* by Nita Prose

Chapters 17 & 18

**1. When Molly is brought into the courtroom, she is wearing her pajamas. Molly is embarrassed that she is not dressed more professionally.**

**a. Why is she embarrassed about what she is wearing?**

**b. Do you ever judge people based on their appearance?**

**What did they look like? (examples: clothes, hair, demeanor)**

**What did you think of them?**

**2. On page 182, Molly thinks to herself:**

**“Gran used to say that new experiences open doors that lead to personal growth. I'm not sure that I've enjoyed the doors that have opened today, nor the experiences I've had, but I do hope they lead to personal growth in the long run.”**

1. **Do you believe that bad experiences can lead to personal growth? Why?**

**3. On page 185, when Mr. Rosso confronts Molly, Charlotte stands up for her.**

**a. Have you ever stood up for someone who couldn’t stick up for themself?** **Explain.**

**b. Has someone ever stood up for you when you couldn’t stick up for yourself?**  **Explain.**

**4. Molly used to rely on Gran to help her understand social situations, and Gran understood the unique way Molly thinks and talks. After Gran died, Molly spent a long time with people misjudging her and misunderstanding her.**

**In chapters 17 and 18, Mr. Preston understands Molly when most other people do not.**

1. **How do you think this makes Molly feel?**
2. **Can you relate this feeling to your experience with aphasia?**
3. **Have you ever felt that some people didn't understand you?**
4. **Did you have anyone that understood you better than others? Who?**

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**Who do you guess murdered Mr. Black?**

**Why?**