

The Hate U Give Questions

Due: 12/13/2021 Remember to answer in complete sentences or points will be deducted.

Chapter 1

1. How do Starr and Kenya know each other?
2. Where does Starr go to school? What effect does that have on her social standing in the neighborhood?
3. What does Starr's father do?
4. Who's Khalil? What has he been up to lately?
5. What happens at the party?

Chapter 2

1. What advice did Starr's father give her about dealing with law enforcement?
2. What happens? Did the cop do anything wrong? Did Khalil?

Chapter 3

1. Who was Natasha?
2. Who's Mr. Lewis?
3. Who is Chris and why doesn't Big Mav know about him?
4. Who's King? What does the reader know about him?
5. Compare and contrast King and Big Mav's tattoos--what does that tell us about their characters?

Chapter 4

1. Who is Uncle Carlos? What does he do for a living?
2. Explain the relationship between Uncle Carlos and Big Mav--what does each have against the other?
3. What's Ms. Rosalie like? What did she do for Starr's mother?
4. What did we learn about Khalil? (What was he involved in before his death?)

Chapter 5

1. How does Starr code-switch (change her speech and mannerisms) at school? Why? Is this a good thing? Are there any ways it might be a bad thing?
2. How did Hailey and Starr originally bond as friends? How does their friendship seem to be changing?
3. What's happening between Starr and her boyfriend Chris (why has Starr been upset and ignoring his texts)?
4. Why do you think Seven tensed up when the police car pulled up next to him?
5. What happens at the hospital? How does Starr feel about Ms. Brenda? Why do you think Starr's mother is so nice to Ms. Brenda?

Chapter 6

1. How does Starr code switch at the police station?
2. How do the police question Starr? What are they focusing on in the questioning? Why?
3. How is speaking out about Khalil's death already proving difficult?

Chapter 7

1. The press has finally printed a story about Khalil. Where did they get their information from? How might that information have been biased?
2. What happens between Starr and Hailey? What is the reader learning about Hailey's character?
3. Describe Starr and Uncle Carlos's relationship.

Chapter 8

1. April O'fray of Just Us for Justice is introduced. What new information does she share about the investigation?
2. Who makes an unwelcome appearance at Khalil's funeral? Why is this especially unsettling?
3. We find out more about the history between Big Mav and Iesha, Seven's mother: what was their relationship? What does this show the reader about King's treatment of women?
4. What offer did Ms. O'fray make Starr's family?

Chapter 9

1. What's happening in Garden Heights?
2. What's the news saying about Khalil and the investigation?
3. What happens in the park with the Garden Disciples? Who's DeVante?

Chapter 10

1. Big Mav explains his interpretation of THUG LIFE. How is America a system designed to keep minorities and the poor oppressed? How is education used as a tool for both oppression and fighting one's oppressors? Why are people rioting? What realization does Starr have about speaking out?
2. Why is DeVante trying to hide in the store? What does Big Mav agree to do? Where does DeVante stay?
3. What are Starr's parents arguing about at the end of this chapter?

Chapter 11

1. Why are most of the Williamson Prep students protesting? Why does this upset Starr? What do you think Angie Thomas believes about speaking out for a cause?
2. When Starr and her brothers arrive at the store, Mr. Lewis is doing an interview. Why? What happened in the neighborhood? What does he say in the interview that aggravates Big Mav?
3. What happens between Big Mav and the two cops? Why would the cops act like this? How are we seeing a cycle of hate that started with Khalil's death?
4. Why is it significant that one of the cops in this chapter is black? What does this show about the relationship between members of Garden Heights and the police?
5. At the end of this chapter, what does Kenya encourage Starr to do?

Chapter 12

1. How is Starr starting to speak out? How might this help Khalil's image in the media?
2. How has Seven's living arrangements changed? Why do you think this happened?
3. What is the next step in One-Fifteen's investigation?
4. What does April Ofrah reveal about the alleged gun in Khalil's car?
5. Who calls Big Mav at the end of the chapter? What do you think has happened?

Chapter 13

1. Why do the King Lords really want to hurt DeVante? Why did DeVante do this?
2. How is Big Mav putting himself and his family in danger by helping DeVante?
3. Why is Uncle Carlos at home in the middle of a workday?
4. What important person in Starr's life does her father finally meet? How does he handle it?
5. What does DeVante reveal about Khalil?
6. Why were the King Lords so appealing to DeVante and his brother?

Chapter 14

1. Starr has spoken to both Chris (ch. 13) and Hailey (ch. 14) about potentially insensitive comments they've made. Compare/contrast the way Chris and Hailey respond. Why would Angie Thomas choose to juxtapose these two scenarios?
2. How is the media portraying One-Fifteen? Garden Heights?
3. Maya brings up the story of Hailey making a racist joke at Maya's family's expense. How did it make Maya feel? How did Maya and Starr react to the joke? What do they decide together?
4. Why did Uncle Carlos go on leave?

Chapter 15

1. What pattern has existed in Starr, Hailey, and Maya's friendship for years?
2. What advice does Lisa give Starr about deciding which people to keep in your life?
3. How does questioning with the Defense Attorney go?
4. Why was Big Mav initially not happy that his daughter was dating a white boy?
5. How does Big Mav cover for DeVante when King comes looking for him?
6. Why is King interested in Starr's testimony?
7. Starr's parents have been arguing. How is their fight resolved at the end of this chapter?
8. What's happening with Lisa's career?
9. What are Seven's plans for the future?

Chapter 16

1. How does Starr use words to fight during her television interview? How do you think she did during the interview?

Chapter 17

1. Why is Chris upset with Starr at the beginning of this chapter?
2. What breakthrough do Starr and Chris have in their relationship?
3. How has Starr's constant code switching caught up with her?

Chapter 18

1. Where do Starr's parents take her and her brothers at the beginning of this chapter?
2. What interrupts the Carter family basketball night?
3. Who does Big Mav call over to protect the family? What does Uncle Carlos think about this security?

Chapter 19

1. What's different between Big Mav and Uncle Carlos the morning of Starr's testimony?
2. How does Starr's mother define bravery? Do you agree with this definition?

Chapter 20

1. What has Hailey figured out?
2. What happens between Hailey and Starr and what provoked it?
3. What seemingly impossible thing has Big Mav done? Why—what's his goal?

Chapter 21

1. What are the Carter family and their friends celebrating?
2. What choice does DeVante have to think about?
3. How are Starr's two worlds beginning to mix and how is she dealing with it?
4. Who shows up uninvited and how does that visit go?
5. How did Big Mav choose names for his children?

Chapter 22

1. How is the new neighborhood different from Garden Heights?
2. Why does Chris reject Starr when she wants to go physically further than they have previously?
3. When Seven calls, what is he worried about?
4. How does Starr finally show that she trusts Chris fully and completely?
5. What's happening at Kenya's house when Seven, Starr, and Chris arrive? In what state is DeVante?
6. How did Iesha help Seven, Starr, and Chris? What does this show the reader about her character and the way she shows love to her children?
7. What was the Grand Jury's decision?

Chapter 23

1. How does Garden Heights react to the Grand Jury's decision?
2. How does Angie Thomas show the continuation of a cycle of hate? In other words, how has Khalil's death created a chain reaction of violence and negativity? How are the riots in Garden Heights getting out of hand?
3. On the way to the store, Starr, Seven, DeVante, and Chris talk and joke about racial differences. How would you describe this conversation?
4. To get around a roadblock, what route will they have to take? Why is this problematic?

Chapter 24

1. What problem does Seven's car have? How do they try to solve this?
2. Who is leading the protest they encounter?
3. How does Starr "use her weapon?"
4. What do the police use to disperse the protest? What does Starr do with it?
5. Angie Thomas takes much inspiration from real life. Off of what group or movement do you think Just Us for Justice is based?
6. As everyone is running from the protest, who picks up Seven, Starr, Chris, and DeVante? Who else is in the truck?
7. As they drive, Starr sees the neighborhood. What is happening to it?
8. Where are Starr, Seven, Chris, and DeVante dropped off?
9. At the very end of the chapter, what lands on the floor?

Chapter 25

1. How are Starr, Seven, Chris, and DeVante trapped?
2. Who walks by outside? Who else shows up to help?
3. How does the whole neighborhood show up to help? What does this show the reader about the true nature of Garden Heights?
4. Who's responsible for destroying Big Mav's store?
5. What does Big Mav do that is out of character for him? What does this inspire the rest of the neighborhood to do?
6. How does the relationship between Big Mav and Chris evolve?
7. What happens to King? How does DeVante help make sure he won't harm the neighborhood again?

Chapter 26

1. Who calls the next day? What does she say?
2. What happens with Starr and Hailey's friendship? Do you think Starr did the right thing?
3. The family is moving away from Garden Heights. What worries Starr about this?
4. What does Mr. Lewis do for the Carter family?
5. What happened to Iesha? To her and King's home?
6. Kenya and Starr have a heart-to-heart outside of the store. What do they discuss? What is resolved?
7. Who helps clean up the store?
8. At the end of the novel, Angie Thomas lists many first names. Who are these people and why are they significant?