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*The House on Mango Street*

Section 5 Study Guide Questions

**“Papa Who Wakes Up Tired in the Dark”**

1. Esperanza’s papa mourns the death of whom?

**2. Write a paragraph about the following:**

* Esperanza's innocence is challenged by an older man. The death of a family member also challenges her innocence. What was a similar challenge for you?

**“Born Bad”**

1. What does Esperanza’s mom say about her birthday?

2. What did Esperanza do that was shameful to Aunt Lupe?

3. What did Esperanza share with Aunt Lupe?

4. Copy down TWO similes from this reading.

# “Elenita, Cards, Palm, Water”

1. Who is Elenita?

2. What was Esperanza’s palm reading?

3. What does this reading show us about superstition in the Mexican culture?

**"Geraldo No Last Name"**

1. What happened to Geraldo?

­2. How did Marin know Geraldo?

3. Could Geraldo’s life been saved? How?

4. Geraldo is an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**"Edna’s Ruthie"**

1. How is Ruthie related to Edna?

2. How are Ruthie and Esperanza similar?

**“The Earl of Tennessee”**

1. Where does Earl live?

2. When does he work? What is his job?

3. Where is Earl from?

4. What happens when Earl opens the door where he lives?

5. What does Earl’s wife look like?

**“Sire”**

1. Esperanza walked passed Sire's house. What were Sire and his friends doing?

2. Other girls feared Sire and his friends. What do other girls do to avoid them?

3. What did Esperanza do to prove that she did not fear Sire?

4. What name does Esperanza’s papa call Sire?

5. What is Sire's girlfriend's name?

6. Describe Sire's girlfriend.

7. What does Esperanza's mama say about girls like Sire's girlfriend?

8. Esperanza feels as though she is going to explode. Why?