

Chapters 1 -2

1. Why are John and Lorraine writing this story?
2. Why was John known as “the Bathroom Bomber”? What was the “super colossal fruit roll”?
3. How does Lorraine seem to feel about John?
4. What is Lorraine’s mother like?
5. Why does Lorraine feel sorry for Miss Stewart, the typing teacher?

Chapters 3 – 4

1. Would you say that John is conceited? Why or why not?
2. What is Lorraine’s impressions of Dennis and Norton?
3. According to Lorraine, why did Mr. Pignati stay on the line?

4. Why did John get interested in Mr. Pignati?

Chapter 5

1. Why didn't John want Norton to know about the L & J fund?

2. What is said by John that foreshadows that Norton is involved in the death of the Pigman?

3. What do we know about John's relationship with his parents?

4. How did John convince Lorraine to go to Mr. Pignati's to collect the money?

5. Why is the book entitled, *The Pigman*?

Chapter 6

1. Where is Lorraine's mother?

2. Why does Lorraine wear Ben Franklin glasses?

3. What were the "bad omens" at the zoo?

4. How did Mr. Pignati describe Bobo to John and Lorraine?

5. How does Lorraine feel about zoos in general?

Chapters 7 – 8

1. Why do you think John liked going to the cemetery?

2. What is the difference between the way John's father and Mr. Pignati treat John?
3. Why do you think Mr. Pignati said Conchetta was in California?
4. Why did Lorraine accept the stockings and other gifts from Mr. Pignati?
5. Why did John want to wear the roller skates in the store?

Chapters 9 – 10

1. Why would John have anything to do with Norton?
2. Explain what Lorraine means when she says that her mother is "fixated" on the subject of men?
3. How does Lorraine lie about the stockings?
4. Why did John and Lorraine decide to tell Mr. Pignati the truth – that they were not collecting for charity?

Chapters 11 -12

1. What lie do Lorraine and John tell in order to be allowed to see Mr. Pignati at the hospital?
2. What did Lorraine and John bring Mr. Pignati while he was in the hospital?
3. Why did Lorraine and John avoid the room with the pigs while they were cleaning?
4. Why was John taking out the beer?

Chapters 13 -14

1. Why did John invite Dennis?
2. How many people came to the party?
3. Would the party have gone wrong if Norton hadn't come? Why or why not?
4. How did Lorraine's mother react when the policeman brought her to the door?
5. How did John's parents react when he arrived home?
6. Lorraine blames John for everything that went wrong from the point where he hatched the idea of the party. Is she right? Why or why not?
7. What caused Mr. Pignati to collapse and die?