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Shane: Chapter 15 and 16

Define the following vocabulary:

- 1) Haggard
- 2) Glared
- 3) Sputtered
- 4) Speculate
- 5) Comprehension
- 6) Indivisible
- 7) Dwindled
- 8) Gleaned
- 9) Whence

Comprehension Questions:

- 1) Why does Mr. Weir tell Joe that everyone knows that he didn't remain on the farm that night of his own free will?
- 2) What is Joe Starrett shocked to hear?
- 3) What does Chris bring with him when he comes to speak with the Starretts? Why do you think he brings this?
- 4) Why does Chris offer to work for the Starretts?

- 5) How does Marian convince Joe that they should stay on the farm?

- 6) According to Bob, why did he never tell tales or speculate about Shane?

- 7) Who did the townspeople think Shane might have been?

- 8) What did Bob think about their speculation?

Choose one of the following quotes to explain. Consider how these quotes affect our understanding of Bob, Shane, the concept of toughness, or anything else significant from the story.

Bob tells Marian everything he saw of the fight. Afterwards, “all she said in a soft little murmur was ‘Thank you.’ She looked out the window and murmured the words again and they were not for me and she was still looking out over the land to the great gray mountains when finally I fell asleep.”

“He’s not gone. He’s here, in this place, in this place he gave us. He’s all around us and in us, and he always will be.”