

PART I "Brown Girl Dreaming" Answer these questions on a separate piece of paper!

1. Into what type of world was the narrator born?
2. What do you know about Martin Luther King, Jr, Malcolm X, Rosa Parks, James Baldwin, or Ruby Bridges? If you do not know about these individuals, take some time to research who they are.
3. What is the narrator's name? How did she come to have this name?
4. What is the history of Jacqueline's family?
5. In your opinion, is it important to know our family history? Why or why not?
6. What stories does the narrator share about her family?
7. Why does Jacqueline's father insist upon living in the north? Do you agree with him? Why or why not?
8. Despite the prejudice she faces, why is Jacqueline's mother more comfortable in the south than in the north?
9. What happens to the narrator's parents?

PART II

10. In your opinion, why does Jacqueline's mother move back to the south with her children? Do you think the move was what she expected? Why or why not?
11. According to the narrator, in what ways is southern society changing?
12. In what ways does Jacqueline's family work together to support each other both financially and emotionally?
13. How do Jacqueline's siblings react to living in the south?
14. In what ways does Jacqueline's mother teach her children about words and their importance?
15. What is the "war" going on in South Carolina? In what ways does Jacqueline's family contribute to the war?
16. Why do the blacks begin to leave the south?
17. Why do the whites begin to leave the south?