

CHAPTER 14 READING GUIDE

And Then There Were None

Directions: Read ALL of chapter 14 today. Fill out the reading guide as you read. For every answer that you write on this handout, you should also mark it in your book.

SECTION I

Page 225

After Wargrave's death, the characters don't know what to do. Vera suggests that they eat. Why would doing something "normal" like having a meal comfort the characters?

Page 226

Why didn't anyone hear a gunshot?

Page 227

Vera uses the idiom, "*I'm dead beat.*"

- a.) What does this idiom mean?

- b.) Why is this idiom humorous in the context of the story?

SECTION III

Page 228

What missing object turns back up again?

SECTION IV

Page 229-230

- a.) Was Cyril's murder planned? How do you know?

- b.) List two pieces of evidence that suggest Hugo knew what Vera did.

- c.) What is hanging in Vera's room?

SECTION V

Page 233

List two pieces of evidence that suggest Blore feels the slightest bit guilty for Landor's death.

- a.)

b.)

Page 236-137

How does Blore figure out who the person is walking around at night? Who is it?

SECTION VI-VIII

Page 241

Who has disappeared? Why is this disappearance especially troubling?

Page 242

Based on the last bit of information in the chapter, what are your predictions?

The china figures are a symbol, meaning they have a deeper meaning than the objects themselves. What role have the china figures played in the book so far?

APPLYING DETECTIVE ELEMENTS

Characters:

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| a. Are the number of characters limited to the number of suspects? | Circle one: | YES | NO |
| b. Do the characters suspect each other? | Circle one: | YES | NO |
| c. Are the characters/suspects suspicious in their own ways? | Circle one: | YES | NO |

Setting: How is the setting SHOCKING or UNEXPECTED?

Detective: Who is playing the detective role in this book? Explain your choice.

Victims: Who are the victims in this book?

In this chapter, are there any hints that the story is coming back to a peaceful state? If so, describe them. Hint: Think, *weather*.