

Gathering Blue

Chapter #9

1) Discuss these two questions.

Kira realizes it's difficult to memorize all the knowledge on dyeing ...

- 1) What technique does she decide to use?**
- 2) Who decides to help her and how?**

- 1) At the beginning of the chapter, Kira thinks about going to her mother's cott to find her mother's garden plants for colouring the threads.
- 2) Thomas offers himself to go to the village with Kira because he has also heard about Vandara's cruelty.
- 3) Kira finds most of her mother's cott destroyed but some of the plants from the garden were still safe for Kira to take them.
- 4) Kira goes back to the village and finds that the society's routine has completely changed from when she used to live there.
- 5) When Kira is about to leave the village and go back her new place, Vandara sarcastically asks her how much she is enjoying her new life.

3) Answer these questions.

- 1) Who could learn how to read and write? How does Matt help Kira with her job?
- 2) How does Kira find the village? Has it changed a lot? What about the space she used to share with her mother?
- 3) Why do you think Kira feels the cott is not her place anymore? In which aspects has Kira changed?
- 4) How was Kira's encounter with Vandara in the village? Retell it
- 5) What was Thomas job? What gift does Thomas make for Kira?
- 6) What does Thomas tell Kira about his skill?

4) In which aspects are Thomas and Kira similar/different?

5) Explain what event are men preparing for, the reason for Kira's concern and your thoughts about reason for Matt's decision.