

Flowers for Algernon by Daniel Keyes

Thinking About the Selection

1. Respond: Was being part of the experiment good for Charlie? Why or Why not?
2. Recall: Who is Algernon?
- (b) Compare: Explain how changes in Charlie are similar to those in Algernon.
3. (a) Analyze: When do you realize that Charlie`s intelligence is not permanent?
4. (a) Contrast: What is the difference between Charlie at the beginning of the story and Charlie at the end of the story?
5. (a) Take a Position: Do you think Charlie should have had the operation? Why or why not?
6. (a) What are three ways in which Charlie's attitudes toward Dr. Strauss and Dr. Nemur change after his operation?
- (b) Use these details to make an inference about how the operation affects Charlie.
7. What inferences can you make about Miss Kinnian from the way she treats Charlie? In your answer, consider her attitude toward Charlie's co-workers, her relationship with Charlie, and her reaction to the changes in Charlie.