

“The Catcher in the Rye” Chapters 11-20

Write brief, precise answers to the following questions.

1. Holden and Jane once “came close to necking” one afternoon. What does it mean?
2. When Holden was getting into a cab it smelled like “someone had just tossed his cookies in it”. What did it smell of?
3. When Holden was sitting at his table in the bar, a girl came up to him. She had very big knockers. What does it mean?
4. Holden asked the cab driver a question that really annoyed him? What did Holden ask him?
5. Holden refers to himself as a “yellow” guy. What does it mean?
6. What did the elevator boy at the hotel offer Holden to buy?
7. When Holden says “everything I had was bourgeois as hell” what does he mean?
8. At the central railway station while eating his breakfast Holden starts talking to two nuns. How much money does he give the nuns as his charitable contribution?
9. The nuns said they were teachers. What subjects did they teach?
10. Holden invited Sally to the theatre, but his date with Sally didn’t go very well. What annoyed Holden?
11. Where did Holden and Sally go after the play?

12. Holden offered Sally to do something that Sally thought was crazy. What did Holden offer Sally?
13. Who is Carl Luce?
14. At night Holden gets really drunk at the bar. Who does he call being drunk?
15. Where does Holden go after his unsuccessful phone conversation?