

April Morning

Chapter 1 "The Afternoon" Assignments (pages 1-24)

On a separate piece of paper, define the following words and answer the following questions. For the vocabulary...if you can figure the meanings out from the text, that's fine, but if not, you will need to look up any that you don't know in a dictionary.

Vocabulary to Define:

provoking (8)

cozen (9)

yeoman (10)

manifesto (11)

rancor (15)

cronies (16)

doggerel (16)

disputation (17)

abomination (17)

fillip (19)

inviolable (22)

cantankerous (23)

enamored (23)

Questions to Answer (in complete sentences!):

1. How would you describe the relationship between Adam and his father? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.
2. What does Adam do at the well while drawing water from it?
3. Why is Adam's father opposed to "magic spells"?
4. Adam's mother says that she thinks he should spend his time reading the "Holy Writ". What is the "Holy Writ" and why do you think she wants him to read it?
5. What is Adam's complaint about Isaiah Peterkin?
6. What does Granny accuse Adam of being? Is she right?
7. Why does Mr. Cooper not bow his head at dinner during the blessing?
8. How does Granny treat her son (Adams father) at dinner?
9. Why is Adam's father so angry with him at dinner?
10. Who is Joseph Simmons and why has he stopped by the Cooper house?
11. How does Adam feel about his father? Do you think his feelings are correct?
12. Why is Adam's brother, Levi, scared of him?
13. What words might you use to describe Levi?