



**Required Summer Reading Project for
Rising 7th Grade**

on

Witch of Blackbird Pond

St. Anthony School

Rising 7th Grade Literature Summer Assignment

Complete the study guide questions on loose leaf paper and file in a binder. Write the answer in two or three complete sentences. Questions are in the order of the book. This work should be completed by the Friday of the first week that we return to school.

Chapters 1-3

1. Where did Kit live before going on this journey?
2. Where did Mistress Eaton spend her summers?
3. What was a new sensation for Kit?
4. Why did Kit jump off of the long boat?
5. Identify Goodwife Cruff.
6. How did people on the boat react when Kit said that she could swim?
7. Identify John Holbrook.
8. Why did Goodwife Cruff think Kit was a witch?
9. Identify Prudence.
10. Why did Kit live with her grandfather in Barbados?
11. Why was John surprised that Kit read plays?
12. Why weren't Kit's relatives at the dock to meet her?
13. What was Kit's feeling about Wethersfield?
14. Why was Kit's grandfather no longer wealthy?
15. Describe Matthew Wood.

Chapters 4-7

1. What kind of a woman is Rachel?
2. What was wrong with Mercy?
3. How did Matthew Wood react to Kit's giving clothes to his daughters?
4. Why did Kit have to come to Connecticut?
5. What did Judith think of Kit?
6. What are Sabbath houses?
7. What did Kit think of the church services?
8. Why did Dr. Bulkeley think Matthew was a traitor?
9. Identify William Ashby.
10. Was Judith upset about the loss of William?
11. Describe William's "call" on Kit.
12. Why was the fact that William had started building his house significant?

Chapters 8-10

1. Describe Kit's feelings about the meadows.
2. Identify Hannah Tupper.
3. What job was Kit offered?

4. What had happened to Mercy's brothers?
5. Why did Matthew Wood change after the death of his second son?
6. What did Kit do to anger the schoolmasters?
7. Where did Kit go after she had been dismissed as a teacher?
8. Why did Kit go to see Mr. Kimberly?
9. Who was Hannah's walking friend?

Chapters 11-13

1. Who left Kit flowers?
2. Why didn't Prudence go to school?
3. How did Kit teach Prudence to read?
4. What secret did Kit discover about Mercy?
5. What did Nat and Kit do for Hannah?
6. To what did Nat compare Kit?
7. What did Matthew Wood do when he discovered that Kit had been seeing and helping Hannah Tupper?
8. Which Wood girl did John Holbrook like?
9. What did Judith think John was going to say?
10. What was Kit's response to William's marriage proposal?

Chapters 14-16

1. Where did Kit see Nat?
2. How did Kit feel about Governor Andros?
3. Why was the charter safe?
4. What happened to William's new home?
5. Who was one of the men who took part in the illumination of William's home?
6. What was Nat's punishment?
7. What did Kit teach Prudence to do (other than to read)?
8. Where did John go?

Chapters 17-18

1. What happened to Judith?
2. How did Mercy react to becoming sick?
3. What was Dr. Bulkeley's cure for the fever?
4. Where did Kit hide Hannah?
5. Why did the people want Hannah?
6. What made Kit feel guilty?
7. How did the townspeople suppose Hannah had escaped?
8. What happened to Kit?

Chapters 19-21

1. What evidence did Goodman Cruff bring forth at the hearing?
2. How was Kit proved to be innocent?
3. What change came over Goodman Cruff when he found out that Prudence could read and write?
4. What did John do when he got home?
5. Why had William stayed away during Kit's arrest and hearing?
6. Who was going to be married?
7. How was Kit going to afford passage back to Barbados?
8. Who did Kit realize she loved?
9. What did Nat buy?

