

Indian Horse - Chapter 41-56

Chapter 41

1. Where was Saul sent once the logging company found out that he was a good worker? _____
2. What were some of the names the loggers started calling Saul?
3. What were some of the jobs the loggers got Saul to do to try to find a weakness in him?
4. When the hard work didn't work to upset Saul, what did the loggers resort to doing?
5. What happened that caused them to never bother Saul again?

Chapter 42

1. How was playing on the Moose team different this time?
2. When did he know he was done playing hockey altogether?

Chapter 43

1. How old was Saul when he decided to leave Manitowadge? _____
2. Who says, "We're supposed to be teammates. Wingers. You. Me. Nobody wins alone, Saul." (178) _____

Chapter 44

1. Saul goes and works in various towns, such as Medicine Hat. He calls himself a "nomad". What does this mean?
2. What were some of the jobs that he did to try to avoid the "blackness" in him?
3. Why did he start to drink and tell stories to people?
4. What was life like now that he was an alcoholic?

Chapter 45

1. What year is it and where is Saul at this point in the story?

2. Who says, "All of us got pride. You just need to remember you have it. Your people? A real proud people. Been my pleasure to know a lot of them." _____
3. What were the different ways Erv helped Saul?

Chapter 46

1. What did Erv and Saul do at night? _____
2. How did Saul respond when Erv asked him if he ever had dreams?
3. Saul calls Erv an angel. What did he offer Saul?
4. Fill in the blanks: "For a while the effect of the _____ was enough to keep me _____. But there was always things _____ around in me that I could neither _____ on to long enough to comprehend or _____ to live with." (186)
5. Why does Saul always seek separation?
6. "I couldn't take it. I couldn't run the risk of someone knowing me, because I couldn't take the risk of knowing myself...I only knew that I would run and... it was far easier to leave if you never truly arrived in the first place." (188) What does Saul mean by this statement?

Chapter 47

1. What happened to Saul that caused him to end up in the hospital?
2. Where is he now? _____
3. Other than drinking alcohol, what else is Saul addicted to doing?

Chapter 48

1. Who is Moses and what did he say back on page three to Saul about what we all need to do? Saul is allowed to write down his story instead of telling it. Why?
2. Fill in the blanks: "Only the _____ offered me _____."
(191)
3. Describe the vision Saul has of Shabogeesick – his grandfather.
4. After Saul cries, what does Saul realize he needs to do?

Chapter 49

1. What town is Saul in now? _____
2. Describe the condition of the school.
3. When did the school close? _____
4. What is the horrific event that changed the course of Saul's life and the one he remembers now?
5. "I had run to the game. Run to it and embraced it, done anything that would allow me to get to that avenue of escape. That's why I played with abandon. To abandon myself. When the racism of the crowds and players made me change, I became enraged because they were taking away the only protection I had." (199-200) Why does he say that he used anger and physical violence in his life?

Chapter 50

1. Where is Saul headed to now? _____
2. What does Saul think about what enrages him?

Chapter 51

1. What does Shabogeesick say Saul is to learn?
2. What are the two things Saul is given?
3. Once Saul finally allows himself to mourn, what did the moon turn into?

Chapter 52

1. Where does Saul head back to now? Why?
2. Saul goes and talks to Fred and Martha about the residential schools. What comments do they make about what the schools did to their people?

Chapter 53

1. How has life changed for Virgil?
2. What is the Moose team called now? _____
3. What does Saul say to Fred and Martha that he would like to do with his time now?

Chapter 54

1. What player does Saul notice is a good player, even though he is a smaller player?

Chapter 55

1. After Saul tells Virgil about his past, what does he say he knows to do instead of "running, abandoning people, fighting, [and] drinking"? (217)
2. Who is Billy and what number is his jersey?

Chapter 56

1. "I understood then that when you miss a thing it leaves a hole that only the thing you miss can fill." (219) What is the thing Saul is referring to exactly?
2. When Saul asked how they were going to play with so many people on the ice, how does Virgil respond?

