The Secret Life of Bees

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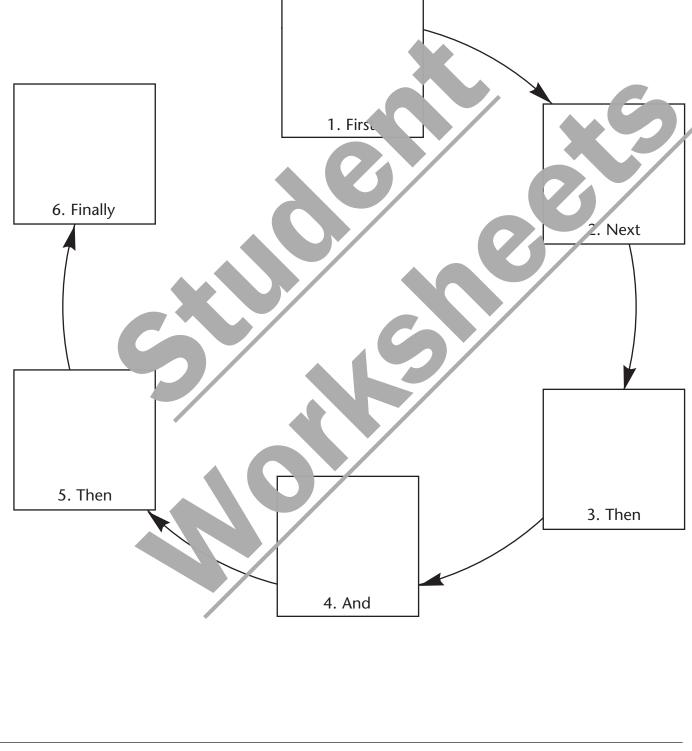
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Chapters 13-14

- 1. *What does Lily's anger toward her mother cause her to do? How does she feel afterward? Explain whether you think her actions are justified.
- 2. Who helps Lily clean up the mess in the honey house? How does Lily explain her actions? What does Rosaleen tell her about her mother?
- 3. If Lily could have one miracle from the Bible happen to her, what would she choose? Why?
- 4. What are the contents of the box August brings to Which of these items is most significant to Lily? Why is it so important to her?
- 5. *To what does Lily compare her heart? What do hink is implies?
- 6. *Explain whether you agree or disagree with Light opin in People, in ge rather die than forgive" (p. 277). Whom having trouble forgiving?
- 7. *What does Lily do with her mother's the ar the mouse's bones? ... do ___think this symbolizes?
- 8. How does August explain Our Live to
- or ie to Tiburon? Wh call her by her 9. How does T. Ray find Lily? V ha. pond? mother's name? How do Lily
- 10. How does August Conce Pot allow Lily to stan ith .
- 11. *What is Lily' all que ion for her father? What it is re ? Explain whether you think his answer truth
- 12. Briefly explanative significance of each of the following in Lily's life following T. Ray's gination" (b) charges against Rosaleen departure: (a) h in the "goodn" shirming over Lily. and Lily in Sylvan (c) Becca (d) the "r oo.

Sequence

Directions: List the sequential steps in Lily's quest for forgiveness/acceptance.



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Story Map

Directions: Complete the following chart to show the novel's plot development.

	Characters
Setting	Time and Place
Problem	Problem
	Goal
Goal	
	B pnin → Peyelopment → Outcome
Episodes	
	Resolution
Resolution	