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Where the Red Fern Grows Comprehension and Analysis

Directions: *Using your book notes from chapters 14, 15 and 16 of **Where the Red Fern Grows**, respond to the questions below. Write your answers in complete sentences on a separate sheet of paper. STEAL AND SPIT-you won't get credit without it! Use as much information and detail as possible.*

Chapter 14

1. How does Billy's grandfather feel about what happened to Rubin? Give evidence from the text to support your answer.
2. What has Billy's grandfather done to prepare for the championship coon hunt? What does this show about the relationship between the grandfather and Billy?
3. Analyze why Billy feels so happy as he is leaving his grandfather's store.
4. Who is most excited about the championship coon hunt: Billy, his grandfather, or Billy's father? Give evidence from the text to support your answer.

Chapter 15

1. What happens when Grandfather tries to give Old Dan the beans? What does this show about Old Dan?
2. Explain the reasons behind Billy's reaction to the screech owl.
3. Describe Billy's reaction when he first arrives at the camp.
4. Analyze the effect that Little Ann's victory in the beauty contest has on Billy.
5. What characteristics do Little Ann and Old Dan have that make them such great hunting dogs?

Chapter 16

1. Summarize the events of Billy's first coon hunt in the tournament.
2. What are the effects of Grandfather's fall into the cold stream?
3. What does Billy do or say in this chapter that shows the judge how thorough his knowledge of coon hunting is? Use evidence from the text to explain your answer.
4. Make an inference about how Billy feels after his first night of the coon hunt. Explain why you think he feels this way.
5. In this chapter, there are multiple incidents where an adult tells Billy that he should probably give up or call the dogs off. Describe and analyze Billy's reaction to these statements.

Conflict



We have already read about a number of important conflicts in this novel. **Conflict** is an important element in any good story. There are generally three types of conflict: **person against person**; **person against self**; and **person against nature**. Find three examples of conflict in *Where the Red Fern Grows*, and tell which type of conflict each is.

Type of Conflict:
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Chapter 14

STANDOUT QUOTATION: *"I guess when a man gets old he doesn't think straight. I shouldn't have let those boys get under my skin."*

Who said it? _____

What was going on at the time? _____

What do these words show about the speaker? _____

CHARACTERS, SETTING, AND EVENTS – Provide **text-based details** to explain each topic:

championship hunt	
Billy's ax	
jug of corn liquor	

CHARACTER'S POINT OF VIEW – Locate a quotation where **Grandma** expresses her point of view regarding the championship hunt. Copy it here: _____

Chapters 15-16

CHARACTERS, SETTING, AND EVENTS – Provide **text-based details** to explain each topic:

coffee	
screech owl	
small silver cup	
fourth night	
wet clothes	