

12. Why can't Raji read? Why is Koly's return favor to Raji so important?

13. How does Raji feel about the city?

14. Why is the temple called the "Hill of Govardham?"

15. How does the wealthy woman who visits treat the girls?

16. Why does Koly's embroidery skills come up again? How will it help her?

Chapter 10 (144-164)

17. What new experiences does Koly have while traveling with Mrs. Devi?

18. Describe the events that lead to Mrs. Devi funding a widow house?

19. Why does Koly decide to stitch a heron? What other things does she stitch?

20. Why does Maa Kamala tell Koly she cannot go to Mala's house? How does Koly arrange to go?

21. Why does Koly find Mala's house exciting? How does the excitement turn out?

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Homeless Bird

Chapter 11 (165-186)

1. How had the city changed for Koly?
2. Why does Raji want to marry Koly? How does he picture his life with her?
3. Why does Koly believe she is an unworthy bride? Why is Koly torn between her life and a new life with Raji? How does she reply?
4. What kinds of things does Raji write to Koly about?
5. How does Koly feel as she moves out of Maa Kamala's house?
6. What happened to Mala? How did Koly feel about it?
7. What makes Koly agree to marry Raji?
8. What important things does Koly put on her fourth quilt?
9. Why does Koly plan to put a homeless bird on her sari for Mrs. Devi? How does the homeless bird relate to Koly's life?
10. Overall, what is your impression of Homeless Bird? Was it a good choice for your study of Hinduism? Why or why not?