

# Because of Winn- Dixie

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# Chapter 1

1. Who is India?

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2. Why do you think India decided to say that the dog was hers? What do you think would have happened if she didn't speak up?

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3. Would you have done the same thing?

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4. Why is the name for the dog so fitting?

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# Chapter 2

1. Where does Opal live?

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2. Why are we now calling her Opal and not India?

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3. Why is Opal and her dad there?

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# Chapter 3

1. How does Opal think that her and Winn-Dixie have some things in common?

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2. What are the things they have in common?

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3. What did Opal finally get the courage to do?

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4. How was Opal so convincing? Who did she convince?

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## Chapter 4

1. What happened to Opal's mom? What are the 10 things Preacher says to describe her?

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## Chapter 5

1. What is so interesting about Winn-Dixie's action when he caught the mouse in the church?

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2. Why could his action be considered unusual?

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## Chapter 6

1. Who is Opal's friend?

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2. Why was she so terrified?

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## Chapter 7

1. How did the library come to be in Naomi, FL?

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## Chapter 8

1. What is Opal trying to get at the pet store?

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2. How is she going to be able to pay for it?

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## Chapter 9

1. What do you think it means to “see with your heart”?

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## Chapter 10

1. What new things have happened to Opal since getting Winn- Dixie?

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## Chapter 11

1. What is a “pathological fear”?

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2. Who has that type of fear? What is the fear of?

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## Chapter 12

1. What is interesting about Otis? Who is he?

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## Chapter 13

1. What has become Opal's daily routine?

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## Chapter 14

1. Why did Gloria Dump have a tree full of bottles?

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2. What was learned as "the most important thing"?

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# Chapter 15

1. What book was recommended for Opal to read to Gloria Dump? Was there a reason it was recommended?

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2. What is the book about?

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# Chapter 16

1. Who is Littmus?

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2. How was war described when Littmus was there?

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# Chapter 17

1. Who is Fran?

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2. What did Franny's great-grandfather do after the war?

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3. Why did he decide to do that?

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4. What was the secret ingredient?

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# Chapter 18

1. What is another word (synonym) for sad? Can you think of more than one word?

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2. Who is Carson? Who did we find out he was? What happened?

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# Chapter 19

1. Why was Otis in jail? Was it right that he went to jail?

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2. Opal says that everyone seems lonely, do you agree?

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3. Do you ever feel lonely? If you do, what do you do in those moments?

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## Chapter 20

1. What idea did Opal get when she was reading to Gloria Dump?

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2. How does her idea relate to the book she was reading?

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## Chapter 21

1. Why do you think Opal was glad to see Amanda? After all, they never really liked each other, or got along, so why now?

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2. Do you have a person or a relationship that is similar to Opal's and Amanda's? How is it similar?

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## Chapter 22

1. What happened that interrupted the party?

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2. Do you think the brothers will come? What makes you think that?

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## Chapter 23

1. What happened to Winn- Dixie? Why? What would you have done in this situation?

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# Chapter 24

1. What did Opal and her dad try to do to find Winn- Dixie? (think of her mom)  
What did this make her realize?

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2. What did the preacher do?

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3. Does the look for Winn- Dixie go well? Why or why not?

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4. What was Gloria Dump right about? Do you agree?

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## Chapter 25

1. What story did they tell about Winn- Dixie?

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2. Where was he the whole time?

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## Chapter 26

1. Why was Opal no longer sad and her heart not so empty anymore?

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2. Can you think of a time where you were sad, but then your heart wasn't so empty anymore? What changed in order for you to no longer feel that way?

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