“Tuesday of the Other June” Discussion Prompts

Page 208 ~ Lines 18-34 This passage develops the characters of June and her mother.

1. What does June’s mother tell her to do if someone bullies her?

2. Why doesn’t June want to wake her mother when she is scared in the night?

3. How would you describe the relationship between June and her mother?

Page 209 ~ Lines 58-70 This passage introduces the major conflict: the narrator meets the Other June, who bullies her.

4. What does the Other June say about June’s name?

5. What happens when the Other June pushes the narrator into a pool?

6. Why does June dress quickly?

7. How does the Other June bully the narrator? Why do you think she behaves this way?

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8. June dreams of fighting the Other June and wishes that she had a father to give her the courage to act. What advice would you give her at this point?

9. In what way have the events in June’s mother’s life affected her attitude and shaped the advice she gives to June?

10. What does June mean when she says that the Other June has made a dog of her?

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11. How does the end of swimming classes change June’s outlook on life?

12. How would you feel if you were June on the last day of swimming class?

13. Although the worst appears to be over for June, has she really dealt with her problem or learned a lesson from her experience?

Page 214 ~ Lines 235-246 This passage intensifies the conflict: the Other June is a student in the narrator’s new class.

14. Is June surprised to see the Other June? Why or Why not?

15. What is the Other June’s reaction when she sees June?

16. What will school be like for June now?
This passage presents the climax and resolution: the narrator fights back, and the bully backs down.

17. What does the narrator say and do to the Other June?

18. How does the Other June react?

19. Will the Other June still bully the narrator? How do you know?

20. Why is the Other June so surprised by the narrator’s reaction? What does the Other June do?