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Shabanu Study Guide #1

SECTION 1: "Guluband-Shatoosh" p. 1-76

Vocabulary:

Betrothal: _____

Cistern: _____

Deferential: _____

Dowry: _____

Fodder: _____

Henna: _____

RECALL AND INTERPRET:

1. What event temporarily relieves the family's concern? What does it suggest about the nature of life in the desert?

2. What does Phulan do that irritates Shabanu? Why might Shabanu feel this way?

3. What does Shabanu do during the episode with Tipu and Kalu that angers Dadi? Why, do you think, does he respond to Shabanu as he does?

4. What coincidence makes the shop keeper give Shabanu the beautiful shatoosh? What effect do you think it had on her opinion of her self?

5. After explaining "camel vengeance," Staples writes, "In the desert, men aren't so different from camels. Thy never leave an old argument unsettled." What might a statement be preparing readers for? (THEME)

6. How does Shabanu's loss at the Sibi market affect her? Review your response to the journal entry. Then tell why she might feel as she does. What lesson might she take from this experience? (THEME)

PERSONAL RESPONSE: What is your opinion so far of Dadi as a father? What has influenced your opinion of him?
