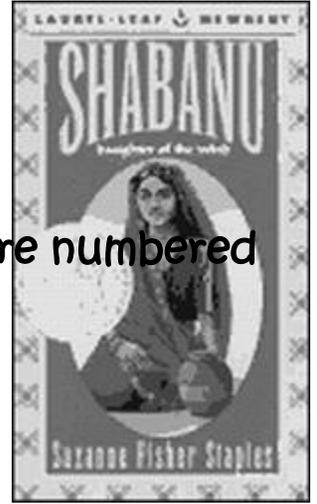


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Answer on lined paper. Number the questions as they are numbered here. Attach this paper to your answers.

Did you read?

p. 103-129: chapters "Sharma", "Desert Storm", and "Thirsty Dead"

1. Why does Shabanu envy Fatima?
2. What does Sharma tell Shabanu about "the love of a good man"? Why does she tell her this?
3. Why did the people of the desert, both Hindu and Muslim, come to worship Channan Pir?
4. Why does Shabanu sympathize with Mithoo?
5. What is the legend of the thirsty dead?
6. What are your thoughts and reflections on this section of reading?

p. 130-150: chapters "Derawar" and "Ramadan"

1. What does the family do to bury grandfather and help his soul on its path to heaven?
2. What does Shabanu want to know about marriage that Mama and Phulan don't discuss? Why do you think they are not discussing these issues?
3. What happens to Shabanu as she begins to think about Murad? Why do you think she has these feelings?
4. Why will Shabanu keep the sacred fast for Ramadan for the first time ever? What is she nervous about? How does Mama respond to her concerns?
5. Why does Dadi say Shabanu must stay with Phulan every second? Why must they fear Nazir Mohammad?

p. 151-173, Chapters "The Landlord" and "Spin Gul"

1. What does Nazir Mohammad offer to the men who take part in his hunting parties? How does he have the right to do that?
2. Why won't Nazir allow them to get away without taking revenge? What does Shabanu fear?
3. Though all of the women (Shabanu, Phulan, Mama, and Auntie) flee together, the youngest among them, Shabanu, is in charge. Why do you think this is the case? How does it make you feel?
4. The Rangers have taken Murad's family under protection. What are they trying to do? Who might be able to help?