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## ***Shabanu Extra Credit Study Guide***

**Read:** p. 210-223 "The Wedding"

### **Study Questions:**

1. What conflicting emotions is Shabanu experiencing as Phulan prepares to marry Murad and she thinks ahead to her own marriage? How is she trying to appear to others? How is she eventually able to feel happy for her sister?
2. What is Sharma's advice to Phulan? Does she seem to understand it? How does Shabanu react to it? Why do you think Shabanu is better able to appreciate Sharma's advice than Phulan is?
3. What do you think Mama means when she tells Shabanu, "In your way you are as great a beauty as your sister. But you have much to learn before your strength works *for* you instead of *against* you."?
4. Describe three ways that Phulan and Murad's wedding is different from a typical wedding you might see in the United States.
5. How are the emotions of the men and women different after the wedding ceremony? Why do you think that might be?