***\Inside Out and Back Again***

**Part 4 Questions**

***Letter From the North & Gift Exchange Day*** pgs. 237-239

1. Why do you think Mother isn’t saying anything is this part? Explain.
2. How would society change if mothers were primarily in charge of making money and fathers were primarily caregivers? Be specific.
3. Do you think Pam/Pem is really Ha’s friend? Why or why not?
4. Why doesn’t Ha have anything for Pam/Pem?

***What If & A Sign*** pgs. 240-242

1. Explain why Ha and the rest of her family have different views on whether Father is alive or not.
2. *Is* Father still alive? What do you think and why?
3. Why does Mother chant?
4. Think of a time when you grieved a loss of someone/something. How long did it take you to accept it? How did you eventually find peace?

***No More & Seeds*** Pgs.243-247

1. What does the title *No More* say about how Ha has changed?
2. What is the author’s message about friendship in this section?
3. How do the seeds act as a symbol?
4. Is it ok to change friendships? Should they last forever? Why or why not?

***Gone & Truly Gone*** Pgs. 248-250

1. What does the amethyst ring symbolize?
2. What does it mean now for Mother that the ring is gone?
3. Do you have something special to remember loved ones? What is it and why is it special to you? If not, why don’t you think you do?

***Eternal Peace & Start Over*** pgs. 251-254

1. What does Ha’s family do to “let go” of Father?
2. What other ceremonies or traditions do you practice or know about that help people grieve through loss?
3. What does Mrs. Washington tell Ha about communicating in English?
4. What is Ha focused on now?
5. Contrast this upcoming Tet with last year’s Tet.

***An Engineer, a Chef, a Vet, and Not a Lawyer*** pgs. 255-260

1. Why do you think that Mother thinks Ha will make a good lawyer?
2. Why do you think Ha disagrees?