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BROOK HILL SCHOOL  
Summer Reading

GRADE 7

## SARAH BISHOP

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Fill in the following pages as you read the book. Highlight important people and events in your book as you read. There will be a test over this novel soon after school starts. Enjoy your reading!

### THE STORY:

Sarah Bishop is a fifteen-year-old girl who comes to the colonies shortly before the Revolutionary War, with her father James Bishop, her mother and her brother, Chad. She has blue eyes and freckles, and short blonde hair. The Bishop family settles in Long Island, trying to make a living from farming, but then Mrs. Bishop dies and Sarah has to run the household.

### Chapters 1-5

Identify each character as Tory, Patriot, or Neutral:

1. Mr. Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
2. Quarme \_\_\_\_\_
3. Chad \_\_\_\_\_
4. The Skinners \_\_\_\_\_
5. Sarah \_\_\_\_\_
6. Old Man Sommers \_\_\_\_\_
7. Mr. Purdy \_\_\_\_\_
8. Birdsall \_\_\_\_\_
9. David Whitlock \_\_\_\_\_

10. How did Birdsall and his gang know about the picture of King George at the Bishop's home?

11. What did Chad have a copy of that made his father mad?

12. What did Mr. Bishop do with it?

Read each quote and tell **who is talking, to whom they are talking,** and a **brief explanation about what is being discussed.**

1. "...we'll pay you when our corn is ready. We have a good crop, better than last year. There are three or four ears to every stalk....."

2. "Been burying it since early summer. Since Purdy first threatened me, and Birdsall began to ride."

3. "Fool that you are.....You'll get more than that. The King's men won't bother to box your ears, They'll fill your skin full of hot lead."

## CHAPTER 6

- 5 Sarah's father admires William Tyndale. What did William Tyndale do?
- 6 What happened to William Tyndale?

When the War comes to Sarah's home, her father, a Loyalist, is tarred and feathered, by the Patriots, and dies from the terrible injuries. Sarah is now an orphan without a home. She takes a position in the kitchen of the Lion and Lamb tavern, and starts to search for Chad. She is given a letter to Captain Cunningham, in New York and goes there to find her brother.

## CHAPTER 10

- 7 What does Sarah find out about Chad?

That night, Sarah goes to sleep in a room that she hires on the fourth floor of a run-down building that seemed as if it might topple into the river at any moment. Late at night she is awoken by a fire that has started in the steeple of a church nearby. She has to jump out of the window to save herself. Then the British soldiers come and arrest her. She is accused by Captain Cunningham of starting the fire. For the rest of the book she lives in fear of him.

## CHAPTER 12

- 8 What does the cruel Captain Cunningham tell Sarah about Chad?

## CHAPTER 13

- 9 Where does Sarah go to find Chad and what does David Whitlock tell Sarah about Chad?

## CHAPTER 17

- 10 How does Sarah get the musket?

## CHAPTER 18

- 11 What was *George Washington* doing?
- 12 How did Sarah get money?

## CHAPTER 19

- 13 How does Sarah get to Ridgeford?

## CHAPTER 20

- 14 What does Sarah realize about the young woman she meets in the tavern?
- 15 After talking to this young woman, what does Sarah decide?

Chapter Twenty is about half way through the book. What do you think the rest of the book is going to be about?

#### CHAPTER 21

16 What supplies does Sarah buy?

17 Where does she find a place to rest?

#### CHAPTER 22

18 How does Sarah get rid of the bats?

19 What is unusual about the one bat that returns?

#### CHAPTER 25

20 What does Sarah name the bat?

#### CHAPTER 26

21 Who are the Longknives?

22 What do the Longknives do for Sarah?

## CHAPTER 27

23 How does Sarah get the muskrat?

Quote three consecutive sentences from page 142 that show Sarah's compassion toward the wild creature.

## CHAPTER 28

24 Who does Sarah find in the trap and what does she do?

Living in the wilderness is hard work for Sarah, but she is in harmony with nature and the creatures of the wild. It is when her own kind discovers her hiding place that she is in danger. Resourceful as ever, Sarah survives. She then goes back to Ridgeford to work in the kitchen and earn money to buy more supplies.

## CHAPTER 32

25 What does Sarah tell young Mr. Morton she fears?

26 What two things does she discover about him?

## CHAPTER 33

27 Who visits Sarah?

28 What do they tell her about Isaac Morton?

Sarah is bitten by a copperhead and is deathly sick. The Longknives find her and she gets better. The Longknives bring Sarah an invitation from Isaac Morton to attend a Meeting and Sarah decides to accept. At the Meeting, old Mr. Morton stirs up the people by blaming the misfortune that the town of Ridgeford is suffering on a malevolent spirit. Sarah, suspecting that she will be accused of being a witch, slips away, and is captured by a redcoat, Captain Hawkins, who imprisons her for her own safety. Isaac Morton rescues Sarah and persuades her to speak out against witchcraft at the forthcoming Meeting.

#### CHAPTER 39

- 29 Where was the meeting held?
- 30 What was Sarah accused of?
- 31 How do you think Sam Goshen should have spoken about Sarah?

#### CHAPTER 40

- 32 How does young Mr. Morton try to defend Sarah?
- 33 What do they find out about the weather and conditions in the rest of the land?

#### CHAPTER 41

- 34 What does Sarah tell Isaac?
- 35 What does Isaac give Sarah?

- 36 What does Isaac say we cannot live without?
- 37 What does Sarah see on her way home?
- 38 What is her first instinct?
- 39 What does she choose to do instead, and what is the significance of her action?
- 40 In a well constructed paragraph, predict what will have happened a year later. Remember to start with the Topic sentence. Write 8-10 sentences.

