

Reflections on *Seedfolks*

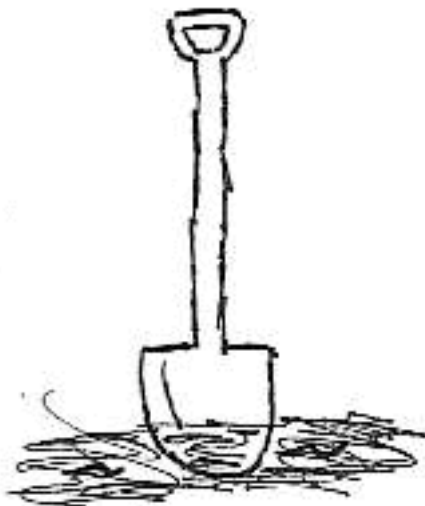
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Analyzing a Quote From Wendell

"There's plenty about my life I can't change. Can't bring the dead back to life on this earth. Can't make the world loving and kind. Can't change myself to a millionaire. But a patch of ground in this trashy lot- I can change" (p.15)

Wendell is a middle aged man who is a janitor at a school. In this quote Wendell is talking about when he had been phoned by Ana in the middle of the night. Ana told him to go to the garden and water the lima beans because they were dying in the heat. He was saying that he did not have a lot of power in this world, but he could help one girl save her plants. .

Wendell's quote matters because it shows that Wendell is a caring and devoted person and he won't give up a task just because it is hard or challenging. This text connects to me because in life I try to be brave and to not give up easily. This quote connects to the world because there is a lot of trouble and hardship in the world right now. I think that every one should be strong and not to give up.



Comparing and Contrasting Wendell and Leona

Both Wendell and Leona are both very similar and very different. One of the obvious differences is that Leona planted goldenrod and we do not know if Wendell planted anything, but he did save the lima beans that were dying in the heat. Another difference is that Wendell grew up in the country in Kentucky and Leona grew up in Atlanta, a city. The third and last difference I can think of is that Wendell tends to keep to himself and Leona is outgoing and always says what's on her mind

One main similarity between Wendell and Leona is that they are both determined. Wendell was determined not to let the lima beans die and Leona was determined that she would be able to clean up the lot. They both helped people. Wendell helped Kim with her lima beans, and Leona helped the whole community by getting the lot cleaned up.

Qualities I Admire in Wendell the Brave and Loyal

I admire Wendell because he is a wonderful person. I admire his bravery, after losing his son, and not breaking down, but going on with life. I think he is a motivated person with a reason for everything. For example, he had a reason for saving Kim's Lima beans. He had a reason to be friends with Ana who lived in his apartment building. I think that he is a great person and people should look up to him and try to be like him.