**Big Daddy's Underbelly***Fill in the sentence.*

**a. penniless b. confides c. plantation d. lecherous e. vulnerable
f. expect g. patriarch h. loathes i. lording j. version
k. scrambling l. sole**

Big Daddy is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_of the Pollitt family. He's the Godfather, the king, the creator, the pirate. He represents a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the American Dream, the rags to riches tale of a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_young man who wanders around the country until he is hired as a field hand at a cotton\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. He rises to become an overseer on the plantation. He then becomes co-owner of the plantation. Finally, he becomes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ owner and manager of a huge piece of rich farmland.

Big Daddy is a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ man who objectifies women and talks violently about his intention to find a woman he can choke with diamonds, smother with minks, and sleep with "from hell to high breakfast." (Seriously, would we make this up?) However, he also \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Brick that he has experimented with other men in his lifetime. In this way, Big Daddy has a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ side as well.

From his conversation with Brick, we learn that Big Daddy has lived a life of lies, but that he has come to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that lies are just a fact of life. He definitely can't stand his wife, he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_his grandchildren, he hates church, and he abhors the clubs to which he belongs, clubs that indicate and solidify his place in society. But at the same time, he *loves* his place in society, right? He loves being the all-powerful ruler \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ over his treasures. He loves the fact that he has control over the riches that his heirs are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_to attain. So what the do we make of the moment in the father-son conversation when he tells Brick that the only thing that he cares about is his farmland and Brick? Can we believe him?

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**Is Big Daddy a good father? Explain. (1 paragraph)**

***Match the word to the correct definition.***

1. Without adequate protection
2. Without any money
3. To act superior, masterful
4. confidently believe something
5. head of the family
6. tell something secret
7. large area of planted land
8. erotically suggestive, inciting to lust
9. dislike somebody or something
10. an unmarried person
11. adaptation of something
12. compete frantically, jumble things together

***Match the word to the correct synonym.***

1. Reveal, disclose
2. Impoverished, ruined
3. anticipate
4. lusty
5. father
6. estate
7. weak
8. hates
9. variety, style
10. authoritatively
11. jumbling
12. solitary