# The Haunting of Hill House Chapter 3 Questions

1. Write the following sentence in your own words:

“Around them the house steadied and located them, above them the hills slept watchfully, small eddies of air and sound and movement stirred and waited and whispered, and the center of consciousness was somehow the small space where they stood, four separated people, and looked trustingly at one another.” (41)

2. What does the room the doctor chooses to sit in look like? (42)

3. What kind of work does Dr. Montague tell the group they will do? (42)

4. What animal does Eleanor compare Theo to? (43)

5. Why do you think the group jokes around about their lives? (44)

6. What is peculiar about all of the doors of Hill House? (46)

7. Why do the Dudley’s take care of the house? (47)

8. What does Dr. Dudley answer when Eleanor asks him why they are there? (48)

9. What happened to the last person who tried to leave Hill House at night? (48)

10. Why are people not able to live in Hill House? (50)

11. What kind of scandal does the Doctor tell the group he discovered about the house? (52)

12. Why did the Doctor choose Eleanor and Theodora to go to Hill House? (52)

13. How did Hugh Crain’s first wife die? (54)

14. How did Hugh Crain’s second wife die?

15. How did Hugh Crain’s third wife die?

16. Who ended up with the house after the sisters’ deaths?

17. Why does Eleanor lie about having an apartment?

18. What does Eleanor respond when Theo asks her if she’s sorry about her mom’s death? (64)

19. How does Theodora describe her apartment? (64)

20. Do you think the tragedies of the house are coincidences?

VOCABULARY

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Eleanor thought, looking down at her hands which were badly shaped. We could have afforded a ­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, she thought; it wasn’t fair. My hands are ­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,. “I have a little place of my own,” she said slowly. “An apartment, like yours, only I live alone. Smaller than yours, I’m sure. I’m still ­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, it—buying one thing at a time, you know, to make sure I get everything ­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, right. White curtains. I had to look for weeks before I found my little stone lions on each corner of the ­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, , and I have a white cat and my books are records and pictures. Everything has to be exactly the way I want it, because there’s only me to use it; one I had a blue cup with stars painted on the inside; when you looked down into a cup of tea it was full of stars. I want a cup like that.”

1. someone who cleans other people’s clothes ­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. terrible, really bad. ­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. totally, definitely ­­­­­­ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. a shelf that sits above a fireplace ­­­­­­ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. decorating with furniture ­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_