

## General Discussion Questions on Education

### **What role does education play in shaping identity?**

How do characters change because of what they learn formally or informally?

### **How is education portrayed as a tool of empowerment or oppression?**

Compare how characters use knowledge to free themselves or how access is denied to maintain control.

### **In what ways do class, gender, and race influence educational access?**

Who gets educated and who doesn't? What does that say about the society in the story?

### **How do characters challenge traditional forms of education?**

*Are there examples where informal learning is more powerful than formal schooling?*

### **Can education be a form of rebellion?**

*How do characters use learning or reading as resistance?*