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Comprehension Questions

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Gathering Blue
Chapter 3

Completely answer the following comprehension questions based on information from the chapter(s).

1. A messenger arrives at dawn, directing Kira to meet the Council of Guardians at midmorning. What does Kira do to prepare herself? Where does she go to meet the Council of Guardians?
2. What is the purpose of the Edifice, and what does it look like?
3. Kira arrives at the Edifice and enters the hearing chamber, where she stands before the twelve men of the council, the protectors and administrators of her village. What does Kira do to show them her respect, and how do they react?
4. Vandara soon joins the proceeding and stands as Kira's accuser. Unlike Kira, Vandara is dirty and barefooted, having made no special effort to impress the council. What does Vandara accuse Kira of and how does Kira react, in her own mind, about those accusations?
5. The council cuts Vandara off, having heard enough of her side of the conflict. What does the council tell Kira?
6. What does Kira decide to do?

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Chapter 4

Completely answer the following comprehension questions based on information from the chapter(s).

1. The council member Jamison is appointed to represent Kira. Describe Jameison and how he defended Kira against the charges made by Vandara.
2. Kira stands silently as Jamison recounts the charges, marveling at the usefulness of being able to read. How does she soothe her nerves while Jamison defends her?
3. Jamison refers to the written code of law and points out that there are amendments. What amendments is he talking about?
4. The council breaks for lunch. Why does Kira eat only a small amount of her lunch, even though she is starving?
5. During the break, Kira leaves the building and finds Matt waiting for her. He asks her about the meeting, knowing Kira is in danger. What two things does Matt tell her?
6. The council resumes, and though it continues in much the same way that it began, Kira senses a change in the tone of the proceedings. She suspects that something of significance has taken place among the council members during the recess, and she feels that she might have a chance of escaping with her life. What do you think has changed?

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