

The Pigman  
Chapters 11-12  
Study Guide

Vocab. Word	Inference	Correct Definition
Whisked:	“We told them how he had been shoveling snow and had been out all day, and the just <b>whisked</b> him away on a stretcher like an old sack of potatoes.”	
Mature:	“They wanted to know if we could take care of ourselves, and we assured them we were very <b>mature</b> .”	
Graft:	“I mean, the furnishings were enough to make anybody think a pack of wild gypsies lived there, but they were probably anxious to get along on the rounds of the local bars and collect their <b>graft</b> for the week	
Thrive:	“Lorraine and I <b>thrive</b> on excitement.”	
Maladjusted:	“If I didn’t know how <b>maladjusted</b> John is at times, I would have simply walked out of that house and not spoken to him again as long as I lived.”	
Transformation:	“I found a makeup pencil on the top of the bureau drawer, my <b>transformation</b> was complete-a moustache.”	
Congealed:	“Dinner is served,” she announced, carrying this big plate of <b>congealed</b> spaghetti.”	
Anti-fermenting:	“I knew I wasn’t going to get out that night because my mother was on the warpath over <b>anti-fermenting</b> the kitchen.”	
Hovel:	“I’m only doing it because the Pigman’s coming home tomorrow, and this <b>hovel</b> better look good.”	
Ghouls:	“This Transylvanian-looking nun-nurse made us sign our names in a book and gave us a couple of passes so everyone at the hospital would know we had permission to be there and were not a couple of <b>ghouls</b> raiding the morgue.”	

### Chapters 11-12 Study Guide Questions

1. What lie do Lorraine and John tell in order to be allowed to see Mr. Pignati at the hospital?
2. Lorraine gets upset about several things John says and does in Chapters 11. Cite 2 examples of this.
3. John and Lorraine took a walk in the cemetery shortly after Mr. Pignati is in the hospital. Why did they do this and how did they feel about this walk? Provide textual evidence to support your answer.
4. What did Lorraine and John bring Mr. Pignati in the hospital? Cite textual evidence stating how and where they got the present.
5. How did Mr. Pignati seem when Lorraine and John visited him in the hospital? Cite 2 examples to support your answer.
6. How did John feel about hospitals? Cite 2 examples from the text to support your answer.
7. Was the spaghetti supper at Mr. Pignati's a success? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.
8. The spaghetti dinner was on Monday. How did the rest of the week go?

<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	

9. Why did Lorraine and John avoid the room with the pigs when they were cleaning? Cite textual evidence to support your answer.
10. At the end of Chapter 13, why was John counting the beer? Use specific evidence from the text to support your answer.