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"The Metaphor" Comprehension Questions

- 1. What is the theme of "The Metaphor"?
- 2. Choose 3 metaphors from the story to which you reacted most strongly. Explain why.

3. How did Miss Hancock die? What series of events are evidence for the cause of her death?

4. Use a visual organiser to compare and contrast Charlotte's mother and Miss Hancock. You can use a table, a Venn diagram, or another visual representation.

5. Miss Hancock tells her grade 7 students that the metaphor will open them up to a "whole new world of composition" (217). Consider how Charlotte describes her former teacher through an extended metaphor in the end of the story. Explain what Charlotte thinks about Miss Hancock in depth by breaking down each part of the metaphor. You should refer to other parts of the text to support your explanation.

