**The Kite Runner Study Questions: Chapters 15-25**

1. In Chapter 15, Amir meets with the dying Rahim Khan. Where are they?
2. What does Amir say about clichés? Why does Amir use the cliché about "an elephant in the room" to describe his meeting with Rahim Khan?
3. What political group in Chapter 15 has seized Afghanistan?
4. In Chapter 16, Rahim tells us what happened to Hassan. What has happened? Where is he living?
5. Who is Farzana? Who is Sohrab?

1. What happened in 1996 by the Taliban in *Mazar-i-Sharif*?

1. In Chapter 17, Rahim gives Amir a letter from Hassan, who wrote it six months before. What is the tone of this letter? How does Amir react?
2. In Chapter 18, Amir finds out that the Taliban shot both Hassan and his wife as they tried to protect Baba’s house, orphaning their son. Rahim tells Amir it is his job to find Sohrab in Karteh-Seh, Afghanistan, and take him to an orphanage in Peshawar, Pakistan. What is Amir’s reaction? Do you think Rahim's dying wish is unfair? Why or why not?

1. How does the cliché, "like father, like son" mentioned on page 226, relate to Baba and Amir?

10. What clues hint at the secret that is revealed in Chapters17-18?

11. In Chapter 19, Farid is engaged to drive Amir from Peshawar to Afghanistan. Describe his first impression of Amir.

12. When Farid said, "You've always been a tourist here, you just didn't know it," (p. 232), what did he mean? What is Farid's impression of emigrant Afghans who return to visit Afghanistan?

13. What realizations does Amir come to in Chapter19?

14. In Chapter 20, Amir sees Kabul for the first time since leaving. Describe what he sees.

15. In Chapter 20, the director of the orphanage, Zaman, tells Amir that Sohrab was taken by a Taliban official, who takes children, usually girls, about once a month, for his “sexual pleasure.” The official gives Zaman a great deal of cash. How does Zaman defend his actions?