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**The Perks of Being a Wallflower**

By Stephen Chbosky



**Part Two (December 26th, 1991 – February 15th, 1992); pages 89-117**

1) What do we learn about how Aunt Helen was? What happened to her when she was younger? Also, how did this affect her as she got older?

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4) What is Charlie afraid might happen if he continues to be depressed and things don’t get better?

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5) How does Sam help Charlie get himself back on track?

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6) Why do you think Charlie is suddenly in a very good mood after meeting with his psychiatrist?

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**Literary Characterization**: How would you characterize Charlie and his two closes friends? Select an adjective for each and give an example that illustrates each trait.

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| Character | Character Trait | Action that illustrates this trait |
| Charlie |  |  |
| Sam |  |  |
| Patrick |  |  |

**Part Three (February 23rd, 1992 – April 26th, 1992); pages 117-139**

2) Why do you think Charlie calls an 800 number but doesn’t want to order anything? Why call at all?

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3) How does Charlie describe Mary Elizabeth to the reader?

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5) Why does Charlie start to get mad (internally) when Mary Elizabeth gives him a book that she likes?

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8) Charlie ends his letter with ‘Something is really wrong with me. And I don’t know what it is’. What do you think is wrong with Charlie? How do you think he can learn to deal with these feelings?

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**Directions:** Complete the chart below based on Charlie’s experiences so far?

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| Problem or Challenge | How would you handle it? | What do you think will eventually happen to August in regard to this situation? |
| Charlie’s friends stop talking to him after the party |  |  |
| Charlie doesn’t know what’s wrong with him and sometimes wants to disappear. |  |  |
| Write your own! |  |  |