

Reading Skills and Strategies Worksheet
Where the Red Fern Grows

Chapters XI–XIV

Chapters XI–XIV: Using a Character Chart

Many different characters appear in this section of the novel, including various members of the Colman and Pritchard families.

Choose three characters other than Billy. Then, complete the following chart. List two traits for each character, and give specific evidence from the story for each trait you list.

CHARACTER:

TRAITS
EVIDENCE

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EVIDENCE

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TRAITS
EVIDENCE

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VOCABULARY DEVELOPMENT: USING CONTEXT CLUES

When you come across an unfamiliar word in your reading, look for context clues that might help you guess at the word's meaning. Find the clues that help you figure out the meanings of the words *predicament* (p. 101), *leering* (p. 112), and *wily* (p. 117). Be sure to check your guesses in a dictionary.

PREDICTING WHAT'S NEXT

What do you predict will happen at the championship hunt?