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## Thank You, M'am by Langston Hughes

What can you tell about Mrs. Jones and Roger from their actions, language, thoughts, and physical appearance? PEE! Make a point, explain it, and give evidence!

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### Mrs. Jones

Actions: What does she do?

- She is strong because she got Roger into the half nelson and held him by the neck. ✓

What does this show us about her?

"Mrs. Nelson stopped, jerked him around in front of her, put a half nelson around his neck, and continued to drag him up the street." (pg.197) ✓

Language: What does she say? How does she say it?

- I think Mrs. Jones is harsh because she was shouting at Roger. ✓

What does this show us about her?

"Not with that face, I would not take you nowhere," said the woman. "Here I am trying to get home to cook me a bite to eat, and you snatch my pocketbook!" (pg.197) ✓

Thoughts: Do we know what she's thinking?

- She is thinking about how she was mischievous and did illegal stuff when she was a child. Now she is teaching Roger not to take the same path she did and stop doing bad things. ✓

What does this show us about her?

"I have done things, too, which I would not tell you, son—neither tell God, if He didn't already know." (pg.198) ✓

Physical Appearance/Body Language

- Mrs. Jones is a large woman ✓

What does this show us about her?

"She was a large woman with a large purse that had everything in it but a hammer and nails." (pg.195) ✓

List 3 traits describing Mrs. Jones:

- Harsh ✓
- Generous ✓
- Strong ✓

"Mrs. Nelson stopped, jerked him around in front of her, put a half nelson around his neck, and continued to drag him up the street." (pg.197)

"Then she cut him a half of her ten-cent cake." (pg.199) ✓

Actions: What does he do?

- He is sneaky because he snuck up behind Mrs. Jones and tried to steal her pocket book. ✓

What does this show us about him?

"It was about eleven o'clock at night, dark, and she was walking alone, when a boy ran up behind her and tried to snatch her purse." (pg.195)

Language: What does he say? How does he say it?

- Roger is guilty because he feels bad ✓

What does this show us about him? ✓

"Lady, I'm sorry." (pg.196)