

DANDELION WINE

Chapter Characters and Events

Pages 1-2

Douglas Spaulding, age 12 years old. Green Town, Illinois

Summer of 1928: Douglas magically awakens the entire town from the cupola of his Grandparents' home. An intro to characters is presented.



Pages 3-8

Doug and his younger brother Tom pick fox grapes with their father.

Foreshadowing of the summer's magic again becomes evident.

The characters of the Spaulding boys become evident. Douglas realizes he is "alive!"

Pages 9-11

Dandelion Wine. The tradition is revealed by way of Grandpa Spaulding's time and talks with the boys.

The importance of family highlight and will play out in the novel.



Pages 12-13

Douglas Spaulding is in search of answers to questions only young people ponder.

Pages 14-18



Mr. Sanderson's Shoe Emporium. "Royal Crown Cream-Sponge Para Light-foot Tennis Shoes" to be exact!! There is nothing that compares with getting a new pair of sneakers just as summer is beginning.

Pages 19-20

Douglas must record and carefully identify the differences that exist in Rites, Ceremonies, Discoveries, and Revelations.



All of Douglas's summer events and ideas are journaled in a yellow nickel tablet with long, yellow Ticonderoga #2 pencil.

Pages 21-23

Rocking chairs on a summer night porch, family and friends share idle talk and enjoy the smell of blossoming apple trees. Time moves on slowly through the neighborhood



Pages 24-25

A foreshadowing of Leo Auffman's "Happiness Machine" is offered.

Pages 26-32

The Tone changes in the novel's plot. Douglas is late getting home.



The Ravine, a metaphor for an approaching antagonist, is introduced. Time stands still as Mrs. Spaulding worries.

Page 33

Leo Aufmann's search for happiness gains more attention.

Pages 34-37

The esthetic need to cut grandfather's lawn with a push mower is debated.



Pages 38-46

After all of Leo's adventures, the real *Happiness Machine* is finally realized.



Pages 47-49

Cleaning of the boarding house



rugs and the memories they held.

Pages 50-57

Mrs. Helen Bentley saves "everything." Her Keepsakes and neighborhood Kids pose major conflicts until Mrs. Bentley realizes what is most important.

Page 58

Douglas notes "*Old People were never young!*"



Pages 59-65

The boys visit Wonderful 100 year old Civil War officer Colonel Freeleigh.

A true "Time Machine!" The Colonel invites the boys to "jump on board" at any time.

"Far Traveling" to speak with this historically astute gentleman! Old age sure is sad and lonely.

Pages 68-73

Miss Fern and Miss Roberta tour around town in their The Green Machine until misfortune strikes. Douglas perceptively comes to the rescue.

Pages 74-77



"Times are changing!" Mr. Tridden's final journey on the colorful Green Town Trolley. How can things ever be the same?

Pages 78-85

"*The Facts of John Huff, age 12, are simple and well-stated!*" Douglas's best friend adds to the building Sense of Conflict that has been unfolding in as the Summer of 1928 unfolds.

Pages 86

Tom and Doug are experiencing "growing pains."



Pages 87-97

Jealousy grows strong in Green Town. Elmira and Clara's personal conflicts overflow.

Page 98

Magic in the Summer of 1928.



Pages 99-103

Colonel Freeleigh and a final the Call to Mexico



Pages 104-106

Notes in Douglas's yellow tablet. Grandfather Spaulding's magic elixir.

Pages 107-118

Timing is everything!

Bill Forrester and Helen Loomis share



conversation and a dish of lime-vanilla-ice.

Pages 119-120

Need for a good cry. The Ice House. Foreshadowing of the Lonely One.



Pages 121-134

Lavinia Nebbs crosses the Ravine at mid-night. Her return home is not as safe as expected.

Pages 135-137

The demise of the Lonely One. Doug's close encounter with -----.

Pages 138-141

"The Leaving Taking!" Great Grandma Spaulding's traditions celebrated.



Pages 142-143

Douglas's writing tablet almost tells it all....

Pages 144-156

The Tarot Witch predicts fortunes in the Penny Arcade. Owner Mr. Black only wants more money. He pulls the plug, disposes of the ancient Fortuneteller, and the Spaulding Brothers must rescue her. What a message she shares with them!



Pages 157-158

Cicadas screeching in the trees.



Their eerie sound conveys the temperature and foreshadows the peak of the novel's conflict.

Page 159-161

Junkman Mr. Jonas, a very unexpected heroics. "Junk! Junk!" "No, ma'am! No, sir! Not Junk!"



Page 162-170

The Hottest Day of Summer of 1928. Flashbacks-Ironies-Conflicts-Metaphors abound.

Page 171

Poetic Pause...so as to Ponder! A summer rain arrives.

Pages 172-180

Douglas recovers and must somehow pay back Mr. Jonas for his treasured kindness. Grandma Spaulding's zen meals vs. Aunt Rose's orderly fastidiousness ~ the boarders' meals are just not the same. Douglas listens to his Grandfather and steps in to help save the day!



Page 181-184

School items appear in the dime store window. Grandfather, Doug and Tom recall the 1st day of summer, New Tennis Shoes, the Green Machine, Buffalo Dust and Ching Ling Soo, the Tarot Witch, the Lonely One....all by looking at the Dandelion Wine neatly stored on the cellar shelves. The days become shorter. Things slow down. Time moves in reverse.

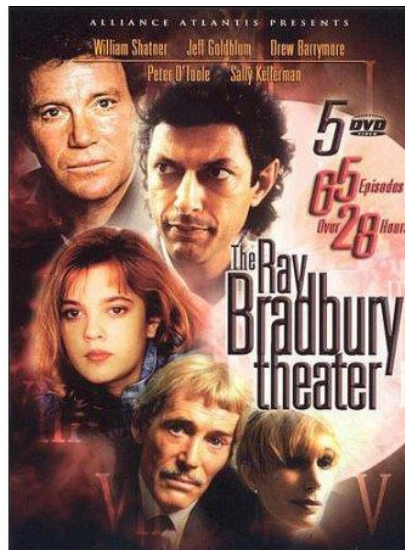


The Summer of 1928 has come to an end.



RBT Episodes: To view in class

The Lonely One *Happiness Machine* *The Exorcism*



<http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0088591/episodes?season=1>

6 Season / 65 episodes (1985-1992) Most full episodes can be viewed online via Youtube.



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- Book rated 4.1 stars / from nearly 40,000 ratings / with over 3200 reviews

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/dandelion/>

- Plots outlined and characters described for each chapter in the novel

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- Full online content of Dandelion Wine

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QgUPY-NbCuI>

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- Ray Bradbury appears on *You Bet Your Life* with Groucho Marx

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Watertown Daily Times article Feb. 2015

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- The Center for Ray Bradbury Studies Professor Jon Eller
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