

Chapter 7- “The Fiddler’s Bill”

General Thomas Gage- **H; General of British troops in colonies; new Governor of Massachusetts (131)**

Mrs. Bessie- **f; cook for Lytes, Whig (Daughters of Liberty) (139; 154-155)**

Colonel Francis Smith- **H; British officer, lives in Afric Queen (140-141)**

Lieutenant Stranger- **F; British soldier under Colonel Smith; good rider; friendly (141, 142)**

Sergeant Gale- **F; British soldier; loves and wants to marry Madge (149)**

Lydia- **F; laundress at Afric Queen; helps Johnny (142, 143)**

71. What month and year is it at the beginning of chapter 7? **June 1774 (129)**

How long has it been since the Boston Tea Party? **6 months** Why do you think it took so long for England to punish Boston? **takes months on a ship to deliver news to and from England**

72. How is Boston punished for the Boston Tea Party? **ports are closed; many more soldiers are sent there (129, 131)** How does this affect the businesses in town, including the *Boston Observer*? **The punishment affected Tories as well as Whigs; Many people are out of work (sailors, dock hands, merchants); can’t get supplies or trade, no one can afford to buy newspapers and other goods**

73. “...and off the ships poured a flood, **scarlet as a tide of blood**. Boston was inundated with British soldiers, and now every third person one met in the street wore the handsome uniform of King George the Third.” What literary element is found in this quote? **Simile (131)**

Why do you think Esther Forbes describes the soldiers as a “tide of blood”? (think symbolism and possibly foreshadowing) **Symbolizes that blood will be shed; there will be violence/death during the war.**

74. Now that delivering newspapers now takes Johnny only half a day, what does he do to make extra money? **He delivers messages for British soldiers (134)** Why does Rab encourage this? **Johnny can spy/gather info about the British (134)**

75. How does Johnny feel when he sees Rab and Cilla together? How is this a change from chapter 6? **He is jealous and wants to spend time with her instead of ignoring her. (136)**

76. Dorcas runs off to marry **Frizel Jr. (137)**, so Mr. Tweedie decided he will wait to marry **Cilla (138)**. However, Cilla and Isannah now live with **the Lytes (139)**.

77. Who is Colonel Smith's new horse boy? **Dove (141)**

78. Who does Lieutenant Stranger remind Johnny of? Why do you think Esther Forbes makes that comparison? **Lieutenant Stranger reminds Johnny of Rab. This makes it harder for Johnny to think of Lt. Stranger as an enemy if he looks like Johnny's friend. (142)**

79. Why do Johnny and Rab let Dove hang around them? **He's connected to the British army and they can get secrets from him (146)** Why does Johnny seem to have forgiven Dove for the accident? **"Dove clung to Johnny like a drowning man and Johnny did protect him." Dove is pathetic; Johnny is happy with his new life/no need for revenge. (146)**

80. What information does Mrs. Bessie tell Johnny about the Lytes and the Sons of Liberty? **The Lytes will be attacked by the Sons of Liberty when they spend the summer at their house in Milton. (154-155)**