

## Chapter 9- “The Scarlet Deluge”

Earl Percy- **H, British officer**

94. Describe how the spy system works. **masters, apprentices and friends all watch British and report any info to leaders at the Green Dragon (183)** What is Johnny’s duty? **watch Colonel Smith, Afric Queen, and keep close to Dove (184)**

95. The spy system is successful when Lydia, the Afric Queen maid, gave Johnny scraps of letters that **Lieutenant Stranger** wrote with information about a British army mission to reinforce their fort in Portsmouth. Johnny gave the information to **Paul Revere (186)**, who gathered the militia to steal the weapons stored at the fort before the British could protect it.

96. Explain why Dove is so willing to be Johnny’s friend. **Because no one else shows any care or concern for him (187)**

97. Colonel Smith has two horses; he rides **Sandy** when he is doing military work because he is well-trained, and **Nan (190)** when he is just riding around Boston because she gets spooked by the sound of military drums and guns firing. Predict how Johnny might use the knowledge of the two horses’ personalities later in the novel. **Since he also covers/helps out Dove with his horse duties, he will know which horse is being used when and will have some idea if the British are going to attack based on the horse Colonel Smith chooses to use.**

98. How does Pumpkin help Johnny avoid getting whipped? **Pumpkin was holding Goblin’s head when an officer said Johnny was to be whipped. He whispers “spurs” to Johnny. Johnny struck Goblin with his spurs, Pumpkin let go of Goblin and Johnny got away. (193)**

99. What is Pumpkin’s dream? **His dream is to become a farmer. (195)** What must he do in order to achieve that dream? **He needs to trust somebody to help him; he needs a disguise and a ride out of town.** How does Johnny offer to help? **He offers to get Pumpkin a disguise (his**

**smock from his mother) and Rab's relative from Lexington who will help smuggle him out of Boston.** What does Johnny ask for in exchange? **He asks for Pumpkin's musket for Rab.** (195)

100. In section 4 of the chapter, what month and year is it? **April 1775 (197)** The British army and the colonial militia are busy preparing for battle. What do we know will happen this month, historically? **The Battle of Lexington and Concord; the beginning of the Revolutionary War.**

101. What happens to Pumpkin? **He is killed by a firing squad for being a deserter. (200)**

102. "Each musket ended with a wicked round eye—watching him so it seemed. Eight cruel eyes. It was like looking into the face of death." What literary element does Johnny use when describing the muskets of the firing squad? **Personification (200-201)** How does he feel after he sees those "murderous little eyes"? **He was scared and doubted his own physical ability and strength. "He could not see how anyone...could ever have the courage to stand up and face those murderous little eyes." He also, for the first time, feels glad that his hand is crippled so he doesn't have to go to war. "Was the 'bold Johnny Tremain' really a coward at heart?" (201)**