

Chapter 1- “Up and About”

Label each character ‘H’ for historical or ‘F’ for fictional.

John Hancock- H; richest man in New England; Lapham’s landlord

Merchant Lyte- F; wealthy merchant; relative of Johnny (?)

Johnny’s mother-F; deceased; was a seamstress; member of the Lyte family (?)

1. The setting of the novel is

place- **Boston**

year- **1773**

2. Name and describe the three apprentices in the Lapham house from oldest to youngest.

a. **Dove - 16; hates Johnny; lazy, not a good apprentice silversmith (2-3 hardcover; 8-9 green; 3 paperback)**

b. **Johnny - 14; knows how to read/write; “boss of the attic”; very skilled apprentice (2-4 hardcover; 8-10 green; 2-4 paperback)**

c. **Dusty - 11; “worshipped Johnny, did not like Dove” (3 hardcover; 9 green; 4 paperback)**

3. Name and describe the members of the Lapham family from oldest to youngest.

a. **Old Mr. Lapham; master silversmith; deacon at Cockerel Church; kind (8 hardcover; 14 green; 10 paperback)**

b. **Mrs. Lapham - daughter-in-law to Mr. Lapham; no-nonsense business woman (8 hardcover; 15 green; 10 paperback)**

c. **Madge - 18; very similar to her mother (5-6 hardcover; 12 green; 7 paperback)**

d. **Dorcas - 16; “thirsted for elegance” (5-6 hardcover; 12 green; 7 paperback)**

e. **Cilla - 14; looks out for Isannah; it is said she will marry Johnny one day (6 hardcover; 12 green; 7 paperback)**

f. **Isannah - 8; “weakly” ; Mrs. Lapham calls her a “bother to raise” (6 hardcover; 13 green; 8 paperback)**

4. **(We will answer this question together in class)** Rank the members of the Lapham household from most to least important.

a. **Mr. Lapham**

- b. **Mrs. Lapham**
- c. **Johnny**
- d. **Dove (Madge)**
- e. **Dusty (Dorcas)**
- f. **Madge (Cilla)**
- g. **Dorcas**
- h. **Cilla**
- i. **Isannah**

5. For what purpose does Mr. Lapham use his morning Bible reading? **They were “designed to point out some fault in a member of his household, especially the reader” (9 hardcover; 15 green; 11 paperback)** According to this morning’s Bible verses, Mr. Lapham believes that **pride** is Johnny’s biggest character flaw.

6. What do the Bible verses say will happen to someone who has too much pride? **Something bad/unfortunate will happen. “Pride goeth before a fall.” (9-10 hardcover; 16 green; 9 paperback)**

Johnny is characterized as having too much negative pride; what literary element do these Bible verses represent? **Foreshadowing**

7. John Hancock, a wealthy Boston merchant and the Laphams’ landlord, comes into the shop to order a **sugar basin (bowl)**. Johnny is called to help Mr. Lapham take John Hancock’s order because **Mr. Lapham will not be able to remember the order correctly (12 hardcover; 19 green; 15 paperback)**

8. Johnny is surprised to learn that **Mr. Lapham (14 hardcover; 21 green; 17 paperback)** made the original silver tea set.

9. Johnny tells Cilla that his full name is **Jonathan Lyte Tremain**, just like the wealthy **Merchant (Jonathan) Lyte (20 hardcover; 27 green; 24 paperback)**.

10. What does Johnny show to Cilla, breaking his promise to his mother? **The cup his mother gave him before she died (Lyte cup) (22 hardcover; 30 green; 29 paperback)**

11. What else does Johnny's mother make him promise? What might this promise foreshadow?
She makes him promise to only go to Mr. Lyte for help if he is desperate. He is also never to sell the cup (22 hardcover; 29-30 green; 29-30 paperback)