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Reckoning and Redemption: Chapters 15-19 of 'The Scarlet Letter'

Short Answer

1. Describe the significance of the forest as a setting for the characters' interactions in Chapters 15 and 16. How does it contrast with the Puritan settlement?

2. How do Hester and Reverend Dimmesdale's feelings and attitudes toward the scarlet letter "A" differ in Chapter 15?

3. Analyze the emotional transformation of Reverend Dimmesdale in Chapter 18. What factors contribute to his internal conflict, and what is he considering?

4. Explore the symbolic role of Pearl in the reconciliation between Hester and Dimmesdale in Chapter 19. How does she facilitate their emotional journey?

5. In Chapter 17, what conversation takes place between Hester and Dimmesdale in the forest, and what themes are explored in their dialogue?

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