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Chapter Eight – Responsive Journaling Questions:

1. “Why are you here? Aren’t you dead?” (page 73) In this situation, would *you* bring up to Katherine that she is dead, a ghost? Why or why not?

2. Katherine is afraid to leave her property and venture down to the beach along Northumberland Strait. Have you ever been really afraid to do something but then did it anyway? If not, why didn’t you? Was the risk too great?

3. How do you think you would feel visiting with someone you knew was a ghost? Would you feel comfortable after awhile or would it continue to feel very weird?

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 - d. July

2. On page 74, Katherine says: "Often, it seems to slide sideways so that summer veers off somehow into early spring, then, a week later, it might be the dead of winter." What is the "it" she's describing?
 - a. the seasons
 - b. the daylight
 - c. time
 - d. space

3. From the passage above in question #2, what does "veers" mean?
 - a. swerves
 - b. misses
 - c. bumps
 - d. jolts

4. "Makes staying here seem almost bearable." (page 71) What makes it almost bearable for Katherine to stay in her house on the shore?
 - a. her garden
 - b. the lemonade
 - c. the view of the strait
 - d. her begonias

5. "I'm stuck here at the door deciding whether or not to knock." (page 66) Why is Charly unsure whether to knock on Katherine's door or not?
 - a. She doesn't like the sunhat Katherine gave her.
 - b. She doesn't want to disturb Katherine.
 - c. She thought that Katherine would be outside.
 - d. She is anxious and doesn't know what to expect.



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L L Z S G E N T L Y V T C M S A
D Z M B W G P D E L B M U R C R
A P P R O P R I A T E W L G I A
B L R D P Y F X H D Q W A M N B
E O C T O B E R I N A E J C V L
V O L U N T E E R I N G J A A E
N E H C G E S T U R E S B P D E
L N S G U S I U T V B T M E E B
R K X U J F E D K O E S Z S D X
K A P D A M K A F P L J W P Z Q
C J D W S P A R K L I N G M Z E
R E C C V D E R E V O H C X M J
Z D Q O U J L Z Y S Q U O F J B

APPROPRIATE

BEARABLE

CAPES

CRUMBLED

FALTERED

GENTLY

GESTURES

HESITATING

HOVERED

INVADED

OCTOBER

SHIMMERING

SPARKLING

VOLUNTEERING