

Chapter Seventeen

In the Field

Vocabulary

fatigues—military uniforms

hootch—a dwelling, especially a thatched hut (slang)

MIA—missing in action

1. What are the men looking for in the field?
2. Why is Lt. Jimmy Cross determined to find Kiowa's body?
3. What tip does the platoon receive that the field is a bad place to set up camp?
4. How does Lt. Cross become a first lieutenant?
5. Why does Lt. Cross believe that Kiowa's death is his fault?
6. What does Lt. Cross think about while he is searching the field?
7. Why does the boy believe Kiowa's death is his fault?
8. What is the boy looking for in the field? Why is he looking so frantically?

9. Who finds Kiowa's body?
10. Why do the men not want Lt. Cross to help them retrieve Kiowa's body?
11. Whose is responsible for Kiowa's death?