

This assignment is due on Thursday, April 27

NAME _____ Hour _____

Chapter Fifteen
Speaking of Courage

1. Describe the area around the lake.
2. List a few of the things Norman Bowker passes during his many laps around the lake.
3. How do Norman's thoughts correspond with driving around the lake?
4. Norman does not stop to talk to Sally Gustafson because "there was really nothing he could say to her." (Pg. 139) What does he mean by this?
5. Why is the title of this chapter ironic?
6. Why can Norman not tell anyone about how he almost won the Silver Star? Does he really care about the Silver Star?
7. Describe the events surrounding Kiowa's death.
8. Why does Norman blame himself for Kiowa's death?
9. How does this chapter speak of courage?

10. Identify a flashback in this chapter.

Name the three people that Norman was willing to tell about almost earning the Silver Star and why didn't he tell them?

A _____

B _____

C _____

As he circles the lake, name two things that Norman continues to see as he is circling around in his dad's car

A _____

B _____

Who died in Vietnam that Norman almost saved _____

What prevented Norman from saving the soldier _____

In Vietnam, what were the mama-sans yelling at Lieutenant Cross and the platoon?

What holiday did this chapter take place on? _____

Why did the young carhop at Mama Burger's get mad at Norman _____

What did the event at Mama Burger's prove? What was it that O'Brien was trying to show/tell about Norman?

How many medals did Norman Bowker earn from his tour of duty in Vietnam? _____