

**“What do I Remember of the Evacuation” Questions**

1. Who is the speaker in the poem? Describe how her tone changes from the beginning to the end.

2. According to the poem, what are some of the hardships that Japanese-Canadians endured during their evacuation to internment camps?

3. What evidence from the poem suggests that people were kind to the evacuees? What evidence from the poem suggests that people were racist to the evacuees?

<u>Kind</u>	<u>Racist</u>

4. Consider the following lines: “And I remember how careful my parents were / Not to bruise us with bitterness.” (29-30) What is the speaker referring to?

5. How did the speaker react to the way Lorraine Life and her friends behaved to her and her brother, Tim? If you were the target of an act of racism that left you feeling hurt, how might you respond?

6. What is the theme of this poem?