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***Wuthering Heights* chapter 9-14 analysis**

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Chapter 9 summary

That night, a drunken and angry Hindley grabs baby Hareton and accidentally drops him, but Heathcliff catches the child just in time. Later, Catherine tells Nelly she has agreed to marry Edgar, though she is unsure about it. She describes a dream where heaven feels wrong to her, like marrying Edgar, while Wuthering Heights feels like her true home. She says she cannot marry Heathcliff because Hindley has degraded him, and doing so would lower her status. Overhearing this, Heathcliff leaves in anger before hearing Catherine confess that she loves him more than anyone and feels they are one soul. After he disappears, Catherine becomes desperate, searches for him in the storm, and falls seriously ill. She recovers at Thrushcross Grange, but both Mr. and Mrs. Linton die from the fever. Heathcliff stays away for three years, Catherine marries Edgar, and Nelly moves to Thrushcross Grange, leaving Hareton at Wuthering Heights.

Chapter10

Lockwood falls ill and remains confined to bed for a month, during which Heathcliff visits once, prompting Lockwood to question Nelly about Heathcliff's wealth, though she admits she does not know. Nelly resumes her narrative, describing the early months of Catherine and Edgar's marriage as peaceful. This calm is disrupted by Heathcliff's sudden return, which fills Catherine with joy but unsettles Edgar. Heathcliff's refined appearance contrasts with his intensity, and he admits he returned seeking Catherine, revenge on Hindley, and even death, though her happiness changes his intentions. Heathcliff takes up residence at Wuthering Heights by Hindley's invitation, funded by his clear wealth. Catherine continues openly expressing admiration for Heathcliff, straining her marriage, while Nelly urges control. Isabella becomes obsessed with Heathcliff, despite Catherine's warnings and rumors that Heathcliff is financially exploiting Hindley. Catherine publicly exposes Isabella's feelings, humiliating her, while Heathcliff scorns Isabella yet notes her value as Edgar's heir, suggesting hidden intentions.

Chapter 11summary

Nelly encounters Hareton at Wuthering Heights and is shocked by his violent behavior, which Heathcliff has encouraged while blocking his education. Soon after, Catherine and Nelly see Heathcliff and Isabella together, prompting Catherine to question Heathcliff, who admits he seeks revenge for her marriage to Edgar. Edgar confronts Heathcliff, leading to a fight encouraged by Catherine, after which Heathcliff leaves. Edgar demands Catherine choose between him and Heathcliff, but she withdraws in silence and refuses food for days, while Edgar warns Isabella to stay away from Heathcliff or be rejected.

Chapter 12 summary

Three days later, Catherine unlocks her door, allowing Nelly to feed her. Convinced she's dying, Catherine is upset that Edgar has immersed himself in books instead of attending to her. In her delirium, Catherine recalls a childhood memory of Heathcliff on the moors. She begins to fixate on death. Catherine asks Nelly to open the window, but her caretaker refuses to do so, fearing that Catherine will catch a cold. Catherine struggles to the window and opens it, claiming she can see Wuthering Heights. She also says she's surely going to die and that she won't find peace until she's reunited with Heathcliff. Upon seeing Catherine's weak and worried state, Edgar is horrified. Nelly brings a doctor, who examines Catherine and notes that she will most likely recover. That same night, Isabella elopes with Heathcliff. Angered, Edgar refuses to try to bring Isabella back, declaring that she is now his sister only in name. He makes a point of clarifying that he hasn't rejected her—rather, she has rejected him.

Chapter 13 summary

For two months, Edgar cares for Catherine, who improves slightly but never fully regains her health. During this time, Catherine discovers she's pregnant. Edgar hopes for a male child who will inherit Thrushcross Grange instead of Isabella and Heathcliff. Six weeks after eloping and marrying Heathcliff, Isabella writes to Edgar, pleading for forgiveness. Edgar does not respond to her letter. Isabella writes to Nelly, describing her terrible life at Wuthering Heights. Heathcliff, unable to exact revenge on Edgar for Catherine's sickness, takes it out on Isabella instead. Hindley, Hareton, and Joseph are also cruel to her. Isabella admits her mistake and asks Nelly to visit her.

Chapter 14 Summary

Nelly decides to visit Wuthering Heights, but Edgar denies her request to bring a symbol of forgiveness from him for Isabella. Nelly barely sees Isabella during her visit to Wuthering Heights. Instead, Heathcliff inquires about Catherine and asks Nelly to help him meet with her, stating that he would never deny Catherine a visit from Edgar if their roles were reversed. Nelly initially refuses, but when Heathcliff threatens to detain her and go to Thrushcross Grange himself, she relents and agrees to deliver a letter from Heathcliff to Catherine.