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***Wuthering Heights* chapter analysis 15-19**

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Chapter 15

Summary: While Edgar is at church, Heathcliff sneaks into Thrushcross Grange. He and the weakened Catherine share a passionate, agony-filled reunion. They blame each other for their impending separation: Catherine accuses Heathcliff and Edgar of breaking her heart, while Heathcliff accuses her of betraying her own soul. As Edgar returns, Catherine collapses in Heathcliff's arms.

Key Theme/Analysis: The Tragic Split. Catherine and Heathcliff's intense argument reveals that their love is transcendent yet destructive—neither can endure life without the other.

Chapter 16

Summary: At midnight, Catherine gives birth prematurely to Young Cathy and dies shortly after. Nelly tells Heathcliff the news. Enraged and heart-broken, Heathcliff curses Catherine's spirit, begging her to haunt him for the rest of his life rather than rest in peace. Later, Nelly allows Heathcliff a brief moment with the body, where he replaces a lock of Edgar's hair in Catherine's locket with a lock of his own. Nelly entwines both locks together.

Key Theme/Analysis: Love Overstepping Death. Heathcliff's refusal to let Catherine rest introduces the theme of eternal haunting—he prefers psychological torment to living in a world without her.

Chapter 17

Summary: A pregnant Isabella escapes from Wuthering Heights during a bloody clash between a drunken Hindley and Heathcliff. She flees to London and gives birth to her son, Linton. Months later, Hindley dies in deep financial debt to Heathcliff. Heathcliff assumes total ownership of Wuthering Heights and refuses to let Hindley's son, Hareton, leave—vowing to degrade Hareton just as Hindley once degraded him.

Key Theme/Analysis: The Cycle of Abuse. Heathcliff turns his past trauma into a calculated system of revenge, transforming Hindley's heir into an uneducated servant.

Chapter 18

Summary: Twelve years pass peacefully. Young Cathy grows up sheltered at Thrushcross Grange, entirely ignorant of Wuthering Heights. When Edgar leaves to visit a dying Isabella in London, Cathy strays beyond the Grange boundary and stumbles upon Wuthering Heights. She meets Hareton and initially treats him with warmth, but grows arrogant when Nelly reveals he is her cousin rather than a servant.

Key Theme/Analysis: Echoes of the Past. Cathy's early snobbery toward Hareton mirrors her mother's social distinction between Edgar and Heathcliff.