

Never Let Me Go: Study Guide

Characters

- Kathy
- Tommy
- Ruth
- Harry
- Chrissie/Rodney
- Keffer
- Morningdale
- Lucy
- Emily
- Marie-Claude

Places and Signifiers

- Hailsham
- The Cottages
- Norfolk
- The Barren Field
- Dover
- Kingsfield
- Exchanges
- Sales
- Gallery
- Collections
- *Songs After Dark* / “Never Let Me Go”
- Secret Guard
- Possibles
- Carers
- Donors
- Completion

Life in the Face of...

- Death
- Betrayal
- Maturation
- Departure

Relationship Dynamics

- Communication (Spoken / Unspoken)
- Intimacy (Physical / Emotional)
- Trust (Secrecy / Shared)
- Manipulation and Complication
- Fear (Loss / Abandonment / Irrelevance)

Overarching Semester Concerns

- Love
- Independence
- Identity
- Enlightenment
- Security

First-Semester Philosophy Concerns

- Choice
- Morality
- Happiness
- Death
- The Soul
- The Meaning of Life

Boldly Going

Progress and Social Change
Hope
Acceptance, Inclusion, and Equality
Rights vs. Needs (Many vs. One)

Powerlessness

Justice
Transcendence

Society (Duties / Protections)
Creativity
Definition of Humanity
Sympathy and Revulsion