



Peter Wilks's Gold (chapters 24-29) and "You Can't Pray a Lie" (chapters 30-31)

1. At the conclusion of chapter twenty-four, what makes Huck "ashamed of the human race"? (ch. 24, p. 162)
2. In chapter twenty-five, who realizes that the king and duke are frauds? How do Peter Wilks's nieces respond to his warning? (ch. 25, pp. 168-169)
3. Who challenges Huck and his lies about England? Who rescues him? What does Huck decide to do as a result? (ch. 26, pp. 170-173)
4. What does the duke want to do after supper regarding Peter Wilks's nieces and the gold? Why? What does the king want to do? Why? How is this episode similar to the episode with the robbers on the Walter Scott? What might Twain be satirizing? (ch. 26, p. 175)
5. What does Huck do with the bag of Peter Wilks's gold? (ch. 27, pp. 181-183)
6. When the king and duke ask Huck about the missing money, whom does he blame? (ch. 28, p. 184)
7. What does Huck tell Mary Jane? Why? (ch. 28, p. 184)
8. What happens at the end of chapter twenty-eight? (ch. 28, pp. 191-192)
9. Why do the townspeople exhume Peter Wilks's body? What do they discover? How do Huck, the king, and the duke escape? What might Twain be satirizing? (ch. 29, pp. 197-198; 200-201)
10. What do the king and duke do to Jim? What does Huck decide to do about it? Why? (ch. 31, pp. 207-210)