

MASSOLIT Extras

(1) One member of this profession digs up whiskey with Sonny after the latter borrows fire from his boss, Mr. Redmond. That member of this profession dies while running to his car after noticing that Sonny's wife was pregnant. Earlier, that protagonist had gotten his car stuck in a ravine with thick grapevines on the road to Beulah, Mississippi. In addition to (+) Eudora Welty's R.J. Bowman, another member of this profession was encouraged to go do business in Alaska by his brother Ben, who owned diamond (*) mines in Africa by age 21. That man's son burns his UVa sneakers after catching him with his mistress in Boston. After toying with a rubber hose, he ultimately kills himself in a car crash for the insurance money. For ten points, name this profession of Arthur Miller's Willy Loman.

ANSWER: traveling salesman

(2) The protagonist of this novel is told that women cannot add because to them one and one and one and one do not make four. A woman in a grocery store abducts the protagonist's (+) daughter, a polaroid of whom is later shown to the protagonist by her consort's wife. One character in this novel wants to throw an underwhore party. The protagonist steals sugar packets for that character after her feet were thrashed and hides (*) butter in her shoe to use as lotion. An attack on Aunt Elizabeth in a bathroom allows Moira to escape the Red Center. Nick wears his hat askew while washing his car to signal a rendezvous with the Commander to play Scrabble. For ten points, name this novel in which the Republic of Gilead is described by Offred, written by Margaret Atwood.

ANSWER: *The Handmaid's Tale*

(3) One character in this story boasts that her husband has not beaten a leg-injury-faking slave since she gave birth. The title character of this story employs Négrillon, is cared for by the nurse Zandrine, and is fanned by the (+) quadroon child of La Blanche. The protagonist was found abandoned as a child, presumably by a group of Texans, under a stone pillar at the gateway of Valmondé, where she is raised. The protagonist's husband stops (*) talking to her suddenly and asks her to leave, after which she is never seen again and he burns her possessions in a bonfire. He later finds a letter from his mother to his father indicating that he, Armand Aubigny, is half-black. For ten points, name this short story about mistaken identity and racial mixing written by Kate Chopin.

ANSWER: *Désirée's Baby*