

The novel *A Step from Heaven* is a collection of vignettes, literary “pictures” or snapshots of a moment in time; each vignette focuses on an idea, theme, or character(s). The vignettes are presented chronologically, and they add up to tell one larger story. For our purposes, I’ve divided the novel into six sections.

1. As you read **each vignette**, UNDERLINE YOUR FAVORITE PASSAGE (a few lines; a short paragraph) IN YOUR TEXT. Be prepared to share your markings on the first day of school.
2. As you read MAKE A MINIMUM OF THREE NOTES PER SECTION ON THIS SHEET. (Ideas for notes: theme; plot point; character; style of writing; question; concern; prediction; personal connection, etc. In other words, any notes are fine provided they reflect something you notice and care about.)
3. Please note the following Korean-American Translations:

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|---|------------------------|
| Mi Gook – America   | Gomo - Aunt            |
| Han Gook – Korea  | Sahmchun - Uncle       |
| Apa – Father  | Uhn-nee - Sister       |
| Uhmma – Mother  | Ahjimma – Adult woman  |
| Halmoni – Grandmother   | Harabugi – Grandfather |
| San toki – A traditional Korean children’s song about a wild rabbit hopping around the forest |                        |
| Yuhboh – Affectionate term Young Ju’s mother uses for her husband                             |                        |

**SECTION 1**

<b>VIGNETTE</b>	<b>PAGES</b>	<b>MY NOTES (3 PER SECTION REQUIRED)</b>
Sea Bubble	7	
All This Weight	8	
Only God Can	9-10	
Mi Gook	11-14	

Hair	15-20
Waiting for Heaven	21-21
A Step from Heaven	24-27

**SECTION 2**

<b>VIGNETTE</b>	<b>PAGES</b>	<b>MY NOTES (3 PER SECTION REQUIRED)</b>
My Future	28-32	
Not Forever	33-35	
Park Joon Ho	36-40	
Burying Lies	41-46	
Being Older	47-51	

**SECTION 3**

<b>VIGNETTE</b>	<b>PAGES</b>	<b>MY NOTES (3 PER SECTION REQUIRED)</b>
Disappearing Bubbles	52-56	
The Blob	57-59	
Rainy-Day Surprises	62-64	
Strong Is a Man	65-69	

**SECTION 4**

<b>VIGNETTE</b>	<b>PAGES</b>	<b>MY NOTES (3 PER SECTION REQUIRED)</b>
Harry	70-74	
One Hundred Pennies	75-81	
Making Sure	82-89	

**SECTION 5**

<b>VIGNETTE</b>	<b>PAGES</b>	<b>MY NOTES (3 PER SECTION REQUIRED)</b>
Reaching	90-94	
My Best Is Always Not Enough	95-97	
The Power of Prayer	98-102	
Becoming Too American	103-110	

## SECTION 6

<b>VIGNETTE</b>	<b>PAGES</b>	<b>MY NOTES (3 PER SECTION REQUIRED)</b>
Punishment	111-116	
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Revealing Forms	123-129	
Patches	130-134	
Disclosure	135-139	
Seeds of Life	140-143	
A Family of Dreamers	144-150	
Epilogue: Hands	151-154	