

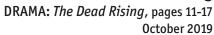


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Close-Reading Questions The Dead Rising
1. In Scene 1, why do you think the playwright has Lena drop her bracelet? (author's craft)
2. What clue or clues are there in Scene 1 that Lena might be Mercy Brown? (text structure)
3. In Scene 3, Ethan reads that scientists discovered the cause of consumption in 1882 but the news was slow to reach rural areas. How might the Brown family's story have been different if the news had reached Exeter by 1892? (cause and effect)
4. At the end of Scene 4, how does Edwin feel about the "remedy" his father's guests have suggested? How does George feel? (inference, compare and contrast)

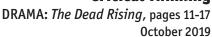
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5. In Scene 7, Jacob calls Ethan "Dr. Metcalf." What is the tone of this remark? How can you tell? (tone)
6. At the end of Scene 9, Lena disappears. Where does she go? (inference)
7. What do the captions contribute to the play? What does the newspaper article contribute (text features)
8. The caption on page 16 states, "Stories of the dead rising up to haunt the living can be found throughout human history." Why might this be? (text features)





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Critical-Thinking Questions

The Dead Rising

1. Did the people of Exeter deserve to be shamed for their actions? Why or why not?

2. How do the scenes that take place in 2019 help you understand the story of Mercy Brown?