

ENG 101 NA
The Memoir
Quiz #2
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1. In the memoir, *Us and Them*, what does Sedaris say, “forced the Tomkeys to talk during dinner”?

Sedaris means that the Tomkeys didn't have any distractions while they were at dinner, this explains that they were not allowed to use phones, and since they don't have a TV, the only distraction they had at dinner, was to talk with every member of the table. I really think that Sedaris tries to say that they always talk during dinner, but they were not forced because Sedaris also explains that after Mr. Tomkey finish dinner, everyone starts laughing, so they enjoyed talking in the dinner and being together in that moment

2. Where (to what location) do Dubus's parents move their family after his father has secured a teaching position?

He got a job at a small college in Massachusetts, and they lived in the woods of southern New Hampshire in a rented clapboard house on acres of pine and pasture, for almost a year

3. In *Fish Cheeks*, what advice does Tan's mother give her upon presenting her with a gift?

Tan's mother gave her a miniskirt, but she added a small phrase “You want to be the same as Americans girls on the outside” which means that she wanted to change to a culture that she was not, and her mom also added that inside her she always will be Chinese, and her power was to be different from the rest. That she will be proud of who she is and not be the shame of her.

4. In *Only Daughter*, how many brothers does Cisneros have? And what is it that she hopes to get from her father?

Cisneros has 6 brothers, she always wanted to get her father's approval, which means that he would accept her as her only daughter and everything that she had done to get her major in English and become a teacher, but most important to understand that she did all of that to become a professional to find a husband to get merry.

5. What are the (2) **two goals** of a memoir?

1. The importance of capturing an important moment in our lives
2. The concentration of the significance of the exact moment in our lives