**Undergrounders - Chapters 17-31 Review**

**Terms/People/Places**

* Rasheed: Jonathon’s best friend on the Rangers hockey team
* Alisha: Rasheed’s sister
* Rick: Rasheed’s dad
* Johnny’s: The restaurant Rasheed’s family eats at
* Lewis: Jonathon’s best friend in the underground.
* Derrick: a player on Jonathon’s team
* Malcolm: one of the coaches for the Rangers
* J.J.: Lewis replaces Jonathon with J.J.
* W5: a streeter who attacks Jonathon
* Winstons: restaurant that the undergrounders go to for Chinese buns.
* 1st Person: this novel is written is 1st person point of view.

**Chapter Summaries**

Chapter 17

* Jonathon is nervous to go to the restaurant with Rasheed’s family after the hockey game, because he has no money
* Rick pays for Jonathon’s meal
* Jonathon worries about getting back to the underground on time.
* He says “everything is a joke to them” about the boys on the hockey team because he thinks they take the meal, money and time, for granted.

Chapter 18

* Jonathon steals a sleeping bag from Rick’s car because he’s not sure he will make it back to the underground on time and he needs to make sure he stays warm
* Jonathon gets back to the underground on time, Creeper lets him in.

Chapter 19

* Lewis steals a coat and gives it to Jonathon.
* The coat is too big for him, but he accepts.
* Jonathon later realizes that Lewis bought him the coat so that he could steal ipods and USBS under it.
* Lewis doesn’t like that Jonathon is hanging around with the Reggies. He thinks that the Reggies can’t be trusted.

Chapter 20

* Lewis buys Jonathon fries at the mall
* Lewis forces Jonathon into stealing ipods and usbs from the electronics store.
* Jonathon gets caught but manages to run away.
* Jonathon tells Lewis that he doesn’t want to steal again.
* Lewis gets angry with Jonathon because of this. He says he won’t protect him anymore.

Chapter 21

* Derrick (another player on the Rangers) calls Jonathon a Hog because Jonathon doesn’t pass the puck much.
* Malcolm, one of the coaches, tries to teach Jonathon about passing.
* The Rangers win the game and get to advance to the playoffs.

Chapter 22

* Jonathon overhears some of the players talking about him in the change room.
* They call him “Stink Bomb” and “Puck Hog”.
* Jonathon gets angry and calls the team “a bunch of losers”.
* He quits the team, storms off and leaves the rink.

Chapter 23

* Jonathon realizes that he can’t afford “rent” for the underground.
* He tries to borrow money from his friends but no one will lend him any.
* Jonathon realizes that Lewis banned him from the underground.
* Lewis replaces Jonathon with J.J.

Chapter 24

* Jonathon falls asleep on the street.
* When he wakes up he sees W5 and his crew.
* They attack Jonathon and take his money ($1).
* Jonathon tries to find safety at the rink, but they follow him there.
* The janitor stops W5’s crew from further hurting Jonathon.

Chapter 25

* Jonathon sees Will and Rose at Winston’s.
* They get in an argument and he punches will in the face.
* They all get kicked out of the restaurant.
* Jonathon naps on the vents on the street.
* When he wakes up, he sees two drunk men.
* They take his sleeping bag and Jonathon leaves.

Chapter 26

* Jonathon doesn’t know where to go, so he goes to Rasheed’s garage to sleep.
* He hopes to leave before the family wakes, but they find him before he leaves.
* Rasheed and Alisha are shocked when they find out that he is homeless, but they accept him anyways.

Chapter 27

* Rasheed’s family invites Jonathon in to sleep and eat.
* Rasheed’s mom calls Jonathon ‘dear’ and it reminds him of his mother, because she used to say the same.
* He worries they will send him to juvie because he stole from them and is homeless.
* He decides to stay with the family for a little bit, but contemplates leaving.

Chapter 28

* Jonathon has trouble trusting Rasheed’s family because of his past.
* He takes a chance anyways and stays.
* Rasheed asks him to play on the Rangers.
* Jonathon is hesitant to join the team because he is embarrassed about the way he left last time. He is also worried they might make fun of him again. What would they think when they find out the truth about his life?

Chapter 29

* “Good players score goals; great players help teammates score too.” Malcolm says this to Jonathon to try and encourage him to pass to his teammates.
* Jonathon joins the Rangers again but he is worried what they think of him.
* The players have all kinds of questions for him about his past life. They are interested in learning more about him and they are happy to have him back.

Chapter 30

* Jonathon feels safe playing hockey because he forgets about the underground and being homeless, cold and hungry.
* He says “miracles” do happen because Jonathon finds a home and finally feels like he belongs.

Chapter 31

* Rasheed’s family asks Jonathon if he would like to live with them for 6 months.
* They would like to be his foster parents.
* Rasheed is grateful and finally trusts Rasheed’s family.

**Themes to think about…**

* Survival: How does Jonathon survive throughout the novel?
* Trust: Who does Jonathon trust? Why does he have trust issues? Who doesn’t he trust? How does this change throughout the novel?
* Teamwork: Why does Jonathon struggle to become a part of a team? How does this change throughout the novel?