

Point

Kino's life is dependent upon his canoe.

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The singing of Kino's people celebrates their heritage and long history,

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"In the surface of the great pearl he could see dream forms"(19).

Although Kino & Juana are unaware, the news of the pearl causes the town to fill with dark plots and greed.

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Modern doctors are sworn to do their best to heal, but the doctor in *The Pearl* is the opposite of a healer.

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Evidence

Analysis

The canoe is the only thing Kino has of any value. It can provide food through fishing for both him and Juana. It also provides a means for pearl hunting. Knowing that all Kino has is a worn canoe, helps the reader further understand his desperation. It also shows that he is responsible for his family. It is his job to put food on the table by diving for pearls. It is also his duty to find a way to pay the doctor.

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Although the thing Kino and Juana want most is for Coyotito to be well, a pearl this big could hold many other dreams. It could be an escape from the extreme poverty they live in. It could give them choices in life. Immediately the pearl holds hope and possible transformation for the little family.

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