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Brighton Beach Memoirs: Act II Comprehension Questions

Directions: Copy each question on a separate sheet of paper and answer each one based on our reading of Act II. Your responses must be in complete sentences.

1. As Act II begins, what has happened to Jack? (page 77)
2. Why is Stanley so upset? (page 81)
3. Describe the exchange between Eugene and Stanley. Why do you think they are really fighting? (page 85)
4. Where is Nora going every night and why? (page 89)
5. Why is Mr. Murphy unable to keep his date with Blanche? (page 99)
6. How does Kate respond when Stanley tells her he lost his entire paycheck? (page 95)
7. Discuss the relationship between Kate and Blanche. Why do you think Kate is so angry and unforgiving during their fight? (page 101)
8. As Stanley prepares to run away, what does he make Eugene promise and why? (page 107)
9. What does Eugene say is the *moment his childhood ended* and why? (page 108)
10. How does Nora really feel about her mother? (page 114)
11. What major decision does Blanche make about her life? (page 113-116)
12. In your own words explain how the conflicts between Kate and Blanche, and Stanley and his parents get resolved.

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