

Dreams and memories

# The man

- Dreams and memories give the man a escape from reality.
- The mans dreams seem to haunt him as they can are temptation for him to give up and die as things are so much worse than he can remember

# The boy

- The boy has never experienced the pre apocalyptic world so therefore he can't remember what life was like
- When the boy dreams, or has nightmares they are just an extension of the present

# Quote

- “You forget what you want to remember and you remember what you want to forget” - page 11
- This quote reinforces the idea of how all the trauma they experience will haunt the pair and the good memories of the past will slowly fade away and be forgotten
- In the apocalyptic world humanity has switched to survival mode so the only thing that is the goal is finding food, water and shelter. There's no time for creating memories

# Quote

- “When your dreams are of some world that never was or of some world that never will be and you are happy again then you will have given up. Do you understand? And you can’t give up, I won’t let you”. Page 187
- This quote means that the man is constantly dreaming about what could be rather than what is. This tears him from the harsh reality as those memories all suddenly become worthless.

# Quote

- “He slept little and slept poorly. He dreamt of walking in a flowering wood where birds flew before them he and the child and the sky was aching blue but he was learning how to wake himself from just such siren words”. -page 118
- This quote is very significant as it implies how the boy has to learn things for himself but they don't have significant meaning only being siren words for the object and he will have no deeper understanding