

Gisterhood Gleanths

Outreach Program

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Chapter 12

Tracking Down the Eye (Facilitator Narrative)

1. Chapter Overview

The Sisterhood Sleuths discover a coded map leading to the long-abandoned Hawthorne Estate. Inside its decaying halls, the team encounters ancient carvings, a secret passage, and a strange compass said to be connected to the legendary Obsidian Eye. As they race to decipher its riddle, tensions rise. When Raj betrays the group, their trust shatters—but their resolve deepens. Betrayal becomes the test that transforms them from seekers into defenders of truth.

2. Core Life Lessons

- Trust and Betrayal: Even the closest allies can falter—how we respond defines us.
- Resilience: Pain can fuel determination instead of despair.
- Critical Thinking: Every mystery demands courage, logic, and emotional awareness.
- Hope Through Loss: Strength often comes when trust is rebuilt, not just when it's kept.

3. Character Focus

Chloe – Learns that leadership sometimes means confronting heartbreak.

Lily – Shows emotional honesty and loyalty despite danger.

Raj – His betrayal adds complexity, reminding readers that fear can twist good intentions.

Gil, Yuki, Thalia, and Aoife – Embody resilience, logic, and courage under pressure.

4. Learning Discussion Prompts

1. Why is the Hawthorne Estate symbolic in this chapter?
2. How does Chloe handle Raj's betrayal differently from Aoife or Yuki?
3. What does the compass represent—truth, temptation, or destiny?
4. How does betrayal challenge teamwork and trust?
5. How does the chapter show that hope can survive even after trust is broken?

5. Connection to Real Life

This chapter encourages students to reflect on betrayal, resilience, and the power of forgiveness. It connects to real-world issues like trust in friendships, digital loyalty, and learning to lead with both logic and empathy.

6. Suggested Activities

- Compass of Truth: Students create a symbolic compass showing what guides them (honesty, courage, love, etc.).
- Moral Dilemma Debate: "Can betrayal ever be justified if the goal is to protect others?"
- Cipher of Trust: Encode a positive message to a teammate using a cipher from the story.
- Team Repair Activity: Build a structure blindfolded—one person guides, the other listens—to rebuild trust.

7. Song Connection

Song: "The Future Is Yours"

Lyric tie-in: "The past can't change—but the future's yours."

This anthem of hope and perseverance perfectly reflects the team's strength after betrayal and their renewed determination to pursue truth.



Student Worksheet – Ages 10–12



Writing / Reflection

1. What was the most exciting or scary part of exploring the Hawthorne Estate?
2. Why was Chloe sad when Raj left?



Multiple Choice / Quick Response

- What did the team find inside the secret passage? (a) A compass and a parchment
- What did the compass do? (b) Point toward Mt. Baldy
- Who betrayed the team? (c) Raj



Puzzle / Cipher Exercise

Word Scramble: F R T H U E I O U R S

→ THE FUTURE IS YOURS.



Song Connection

The Future Is Yours – 'The past can't change—but the future's yours.'

How can mistakes help you make a better future?



Student Worksheet – Ages 13–15



Writing / Reflection

1. Why do you think Raj betrayed the team?
2. How does Chloe's reaction show growth as a leader?



Multiple Choice / Quick Response

- What did Thalia notice about the writing on the parchment? (a) It was an ancient riddle about Mt. Baldy
- What lesson does Chloe learn after Raj's betrayal? (b) That leadership means forgiving without forgetting
- What does the compass symbolize? (c) The search for truth and direction



Puzzle / Cipher Exercise

Cipher Code (A=1, B=2): 6-21-20-21-18-5 9-19 25-15-21-18-19

→ FUTURE IS YOURS.



Song Connection

The Future Is Yours – 'The past can't change—but the future's yours.'

How does this lyric connect to moving on after betrayal?



Student Worksheet – Ages 16–18



Writing / Reflection

1. What moral lessons emerge from Raj's betrayal and Chloe's response?
2. How does the team's renewed unity redefine leadership and loyalty?



Multiple Choice / Quick Response

- What deeper truth does the compass represent? (a) The inner direction that guides moral choices
- What does this chapter reveal about power and temptation? (b) That knowledge and trust can both be corrupted
- What turning point does this betrayal create for the team? (c) It forges a deeper commitment to truth and justice



Puzzle / Cipher Exercise

Cipher Riddle: "I break trust but reveal truth; I hurt yet make you strong. Who am I?"

→ BETRAYAL.



Song Connection

The Future Is Yours – 'The past can't change—but the future's yours.'

How does this lyric inspire growth and forgiveness after being hurt?

