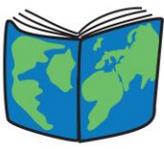


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The Last Thirteen: 3
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- *The Last Thirteen: 3* opens with Eva dreaming of being at the Sydney Opera House. What makes this such an iconic place?
- Why is Sam hesitant about going to Australia with Eva? How do you explain his rudeness to Eva in Chapter 3?
- When the other dreamers comment on Sam's new notoriety after his UN speech, he replies that the public doesn't care about who he is, "just what I represent." Do you agree? Why or why not?
- Sam says the world only thinks of him "as either some kind of superhero or a delusional freak." What would you think about Sam if you had heard his UN speech in real life?
- As Guardians and Agents close in on Solaris' hideout, Sam asks, "Killing him in cold blood will only make us as bad as him – won't it?" How would you answer? Do you think Sam is convinced by Jack's reply?
- Sam, Jedi and the others wonder how Solaris knows about Eva's dream of finding her gear in Australia. How do you think he knows? Is Solaris a Dreamer? Who or what do you think Solaris actually is?
- Sam and Eva are surprised to meet Jabari with Dr. Dark at the Sweet Dreams Bed and Breakfast. He convinces them that the few remaining Egyptian Guardians now regret their previous plans to stop the prophecy. He claims to want to "set it right" and offers his protection. Do you think he can be trusted? Why or why not?
- Dr. Dark tells Lora, Sam and Eva that going public may have been a mistake. Do you agree? Why or why not?
- In the hope that a change of plan will confuse Solaris, Sam decides that he and Eva should split up. What do you think of his plan? Will it work?
- In Chapter 18 Alex asks himself, *Is Hans really all that bad? Is he any different from the rest of us who want to be at the Dream Gate?* What do you think?
- Eva and Jabari arrive in Alice Springs. What can you learn about this Australian location?
- Malcolm tells Sam, "We're all dreamers." What do you think he means by this?
- Why do you think the Germans transported valuable artifacts and relics to Antarctica in converted U-boats during World War II?



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- Lora cites Chernobyl as, “a strong example of how sometimes Dreamers’ ideas can get the better of them.” What does she mean by this? Can you think of any real-life examples where people’s ideas have led to unfortunate and unforeseen consequences?
 - What is the “Dreamtime” that Malcom refers to?
 - Lora and Xavier are rescued at Chernobyl by Dr. Dark. How do you think he happened to be there?
 - *The Last Thirteen: 3* ends with Eva, Sam, Henk and Jabari under attack by men in Stealth Suits who are presumed to be Rogue Agents working for Stella. Alex is stranded alone after having nearly fallen into a geothermal lake in Antarctica. What do you think will happen next?