Act 1, scenes 2 & 3

- Casting Call:
 - Rose (both scenes)
 - Troy (both scenes)
 - Gabriel (scene 2)
 - Cory (scene 3)
 - Narrator (both scenes)



Why is Rose singing about Jesus being a fence around her? What is she trying to keep out? Keep in?





Aside from bringing comic relief, what purpose does Gabriel's character serve in the play? What is the significance of his song?





What type of a relationship do you think Troy and Gabriel had before we went and fought in WWII? How would you characterize their relationship now?





Should Gabriel be allowed to live with Miss Pearl, or should he be in the hospital, where Rose says "they can help him take care of himself?" Explain.



Act 1, scene 3*

- Casting Call:
 - Rose
 - Cory
 - Troy
 - Narrator



Whose side are you on regarding the television Troy or Cory's? Why?





Why do you think Troy wants Cory to focus more on working "down at the A&P" grocery store?





How much do you think Troy loves his son Cory? What's the difference between liking someone and loving them? Does Troy like Cory? Does he have to like or love his son? Explain.





How does Troy feel about family? Why do you think he feels this way?

