1. Setting: What is the setting for frame story? How will the setting of the main story be different? Why might the author begin with a different setting?
2. Setting: One setting described in the introduction is the Western prairies. How are they described? What mood and tone do you see the author creating?
3. Setting: One setting described in the introduction is New York City. What mood and tone do you see the author creating about this setting?
4. Changes in Setting: How has time changed the settings mentioned in the Introduction? What does the text suggest?
5. Characterization: Who is Jim Burden? What does the introduction tell us about this character? What importance will he have in the story?
6. Characterization: Who is Ántonia? What does the introduction tell us about this character? Why is the book called *My Ántonia*?
7. Character: What is Mrs. Jim Burden? What does the introduction tell us about this character? Why do you think the narrator spends time on her?
8. Character: What do we know about the narrator of the introduction? What importance do you predict this character will have in the story?
9. Changes in Character: How has time changed the characters mentioned in the Introduction? What does the text suggest?