***Three Minute Egg*  Page 247 Carmelita Mcgrath English 2202/3202**

**Pre-Reading**

This story is a first person narrative told by an adult looking back and trying to make sense of a childhood experience.

Based on the title, what do you think this story is about?

Based on the illustration, what do you think this story is about?

**Vocabulary**

Columbine-A plant with long spurred flowers

Shagger-Shadow that follows another secretly

Monkshood-Poisonous flower

Foxglove-Plant source of the drug digitalis

Penance-Voluntary self-punishment

**During Reading**

Using sticky notes, note the inferences you make about the community based on the information we are given. An inference is a conclusion reached on the basis of evidence and reasoning.

**After Reading**

1. What inferences about the community were you able to make?

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2. Explain how Mrs. Anastasia’s husband died and what her response was to his death?

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3. What is the significance of the Life game the girls play? Why do youthink the author included this detail? What does it add to the story?

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4. State the reasons why Mrs. Anastasia’s actions were right and wrong. Do a class tally of who agrees or disagrees.

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| Agree-Her actions were right and the town should leave it alone | Disagree-Her actions were wrong and the town should do something about it |
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5. Why do people stay in abusive relationships?

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