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Trifles Questions

1. What is needed to convict Mrs. Wright for murder? In other words, what are the men looking for?
2. Describe John Wright including two quotes from the text. Was he “a good man”?
3. Throughout the play, Mrs. Peters reminds Mrs. Hale that “the law is the law” and “the law has got to punish crime” What does this contribute to the play?
4. How does being the sheriff’s wife affect Mrs. Peters’ stance on law? Cite evidence from the text.
5. Does Mrs. Peters change her stance regarding the law? Cite evidence from the text.
6. How does Mrs. Hale feel about law, crime, and fairness/justice? Cite evidence from the text.
7. Why does Mrs. Hale insist on not telling Mrs. Wright that her preserves are all gone?
8. After reading Trifles do you think the women are justified in their judgment and decision to withhold evidence?
9. Create a constructed response (Yes, Ma’am) answering the question: What is fair? Use text evidence from BOTH “The Lady or the Tiger” and Trifles.

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