

Winter's Bone

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Seventeen-year-old Ree Dolly sets out to track down her father. If she fails, Ree and her family will lose their home and be turned out into the Ozark woods. Challenging a code of silence and risking her life, Ree begins to piece together the truth.

"Remarkable! Unforgettable! It means to shake you, and it does." – Rolling Stone

"Incredibly powerful! The year's most stirring film." – New York Magazine

To see the trailer for the film go to <http://www.wintersbonemovie.com/>

Vocabulary and Phrases

Bond: Money or property used as security to allow a criminal suspect to be released from prison before the trial date.

Your daddy's out on bond.

He put the house up for his bond.

The law: The police (informal)

The law came by today.

I don't know where he's at.: I don't know where he is.

A doobie: A marijuana joint/cigarette

Here's a doobie for your walk.

Crank: Crank is slang for a low purity, crystallized methamphetamine that is administered in a powder form.

That's fucked up: That's crazy.

You wanna line? and ***You wanna blow some smoke?:*** Informal ways of asking someone if they want to take drugs.

Labs: Laboratories (in the film, laboratories where the illegal drug methamphetamine is manufactured).

We'd raise that boy way better than you.: We would bring up the boy much better than you could.

He looked square at me: He looked directly at me / He looked me square in the eye

He aint from our neck of the woods.: He isn't from the same place as we are.

To snitch: To pass on information about someone to, for example, the police.

To fling something: To throw something

Someone flung 'em on the porch last night.

Some things to consider

- *What are your feelings towards Ree, the heroine of the film?*
- *What are your feelings towards the other characters in the film?*
- *Ree seems to show a courage and determination beyond her years. Where do you think this comes from?*
- *The story is set in a background not normally seen in American movies. What do you think of this? Is it effective?*
- *Do you think there is any hope for Ree and her family? And what about the other people in the film?*
- *In the film we see a world almost beyond the control of law and order. A world almost belonging to another time. Is this a reality today and will it be more of a reality in the future?*
- *What's your opinion of these kind of "gritty" films?*