







Minor Characters:

Character	Description
<p data-bbox="327 432 502 465"><i>Grandmother</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supportive - tells Dawan she is proud of her for winning the scholarship. She convinces Dawan to leave the village • Encouraging - encourages Dawan to go to the city school and persuades her to talk to her father • Wise - uses the lotus bud as an example to show Dawan that she must discover her potential as she matures
<p data-bbox="363 801 466 835"><i>Mother</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submissive - does not support Dawan initially because she knows her husband wants their son to go to the city school • Timid - feels that she cannot say anything when her husband does not allow Dawan to go to the city school • Caring - offers to walk with Dawan to Noi's house
<p data-bbox="389 1160 440 1193"><i>Bao</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A sister to Vichai, Kwai's friend • Sells lotus buds and caged sparrows in the marketplace • Does not have an opportunity to go to school. • Kind - gives a lotus bud to Dawan and lets her free a bird without paying • Supportive - encourages Dawan to follow her dream when Dawan feels hopeless and sad
<p data-bbox="389 1514 440 1547"><i>Noi</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dawan's cousin • Used to work as a maid in the city • Married to Ghan and has a baby. • Honest - tells Dawan the truth about the hard life in the city • Concerned - feels that Dawan should not go to the city because she would be on her own • Caring - helps to bandage Dawan's ankle when she is injured at the marketplace

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<p data-bbox="363 432 472 461"><i>Teacher</i></p> 	<ul data-bbox="667 472 1369 719" style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaches in the village school • Tall and smart • Modern - encourages students to think of ways to overcome injustice in society • Fair - listens to his students' opinions • Unbiased - listens to Dawan's opinions even though she is a girl
<p data-bbox="331 842 504 871"><i>Mr. Phaspras</i></p> 	<ul data-bbox="667 842 1326 1043" style="list-style-type: none"> • An officer in the army • Short and flabby. • Cunning - abuses his power by offering not to draft Ghan into the army • Greedy - makes Noi and Ghan pay him a lot of money if they do not want Ghan to be drafted