**![[Mindscan Paperback Cover Art]]()Chapter 20 – “The Report of My Demise**

1. What happens when Mindscan Jake makes contact with the “other instantiation of Jacob Sullivan”? Is this the same one he reached earlier? Explain.

1. Who does Karen turn to for her legal defense in probate court? Why doesn’t he take the case “personally”?
2. Ironically, what tactic do the Drapers propose to take in order to dismiss the case before it begins?
3. *Inconspicuous (142)*
4. *Pseudonym (143)*
5. *Aquiline (145)*
6. *Disbursement (147)*
7. *Pre-emptive (149)*
8. *Litigation (152)*
9. *Predisposed (152)*
10. *Punitive (153)*
11. *Bequest (154)*
12. *Amiably (155)*
13. *Dossiers (156)*

**Chapter 21 – Bessarian vs. Horowitz**

1. How does Karen get hold of extra funds even after her bank accounts have been frozen by the judge? Why do you think she was able to get so much money?
2. What does Mindscan Jake discover about the *quantum entanglement* he’s having with the other Jakes?
3. Outline the opposing arguments the two sides make in their opening statements to the court. Who do you think makes a better case so far? Why?

**Chapter 22 – Certificate of Death**

1. How has Immortex made every effort to appease its new clients on High Eden? Yet, how is Shed Skin Jake becoming so paranoid about his whole experience on the moon?
2. How did Tyler find out his mother was dead? Why did Draper keep asking Dr. Chandragupta about how much money he received for his services? Outline what must have occurred.
3. *Dissipating (157)*
4. *Volition (158)*
5. *Semantic (159)*
6. *Heinous (161)*
7. *Requisite (162)*
8. *Invalidity (163)*
9. *Vehemently (163)*
10. *Litany (164)*
11. *Biometric (168)*
12. *Facile (173)*
13. *Chastened (173)*
14. *Consternation (175)*

**Chapters 23 & 24 – Personal Identification**

1. How does Draper try to prove Karen’s identity through the interaction with the transaction terminal?
2. What does Karen think about Jake’s theory of the quantum entanglement of contacting other instantiations of himself? Why?
3. Why does Ms. Lopez question Karen about her sleep patterns and her navel? What is she trying to prove?
4. How does Lopez refute the earlier evidence of Karen’s I.D. through the transaction terminal? Which side do you think has made a better case on this issue? Why?

**Response Writing #5 – Choose one of the following options.**

1. Speculate on why you think Immortex would want to have several instantiations or Mindscans of its clients (like Jake). What would they have to gain by having a “hostage Jake” in its lab in Toronto? What possible motives could the corporation have?
2. Do you think Tyler should have the right to sue Mindscan Karen for his inheritance, or do you think Karen has the right to decide how her money will be utilized after her death? Consider what can happen to a person’s estate now.