

## Character Reaction Paragraph: Hortensia

*(Example, for Teacher Reference)*

In the chapter “Las Ciruelas” in *Esperanza Rising*, Mama becomes sick after the dust storm. Hortensia is worried about Mama and wants her to get better. On page 153, Hortensia tells Esperanza, “Look at her, she has lost weight. She has not been herself since that storm and that was a month ago. I think she should go to the doctor.” Hortensia doesn’t agree that Mama is fine and perhaps thinks she is stubborn. After Mama replies that she is fine and just needs rest, Hortensia “looked at Esperanza, shaking her head,” as though she doesn’t agree with Mama and thinks she is stubborn.