

There Will Come Soft Rains

Ray Bradbury
p. 265

1. Brainstorm:

Create a list of automated equipment that you use **daily**. (5)

2. Technology

I NOTICE...	I WONDER...
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.

{Read}

Technology: products, developments, and automation used to assist society in numerous ways, including problem solving, communication, and scientific research." *Basically, technology is any tool that helps a person accomplish a task* 😊

3. Key Word:

Personification: giving humanlike qualities to something nonhuman. *In the kitchen the stove gave a hissing sigh.*

4. Vocabulary: (p.265)

paranoia
cavorting
tremulous
oblivious
sublime

5. Literary Elements:

Protagonist:	
Antagonist:	

Conflict:	
Point of View:	
Setting:	
Theme:	

{Read}

Science Fiction: (author's definition)

Science fiction is really sociological studies of the future; things that the writer believes are going to happen by putting two and two together.

6. Chronological Order

List the **main events (11)** that take place in the house on August 4, 2026.

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7. Check Test (TRUE/FALSE)

1. The story is set in the 1950s during the Cold War?
2. A tornado struck the house?
3. The five areas of paint left on the wall are the silhouettes of a man, a woman, two children, and a ball.
4. The dog dies in the fire.
5. Technology triumphs in the end.

8. Discussion Questions:

1. Go back through the text and find 3 examples of personification.
2. Looking at the digital clocks that indicate the hours, how long does it take for the house to be destroyed?

3. Why is there still activity in the house when no one is there?
Who or what controls the house?
4. A fully automated house is not only the setting of the story; it is the main character. What does the house do as its life is threatened and then destroyed?
5. On page 267, Bradbury writes, "At night the ruined city gave off a radioactive glow..." What inference, or guess based on evidence, can you make to explain what caused this glow and destroyed the house?
6. How is the house finally destroyed?
7. Go back to page 269 and read Sara Teasdale's poem. Explain how this poem fits the theme.