**Study Guide: *The Joy Luck Club***

* **Characters, meanings of names, and their familial relationships**
	+ Woo Family
		- Suyuan Woo
		- Canning Woo
		- Jing-Mei (June) Woo
			* Name her sisters as well
	+ Hsu Family
		- Popo
		- Aunt and Uncle
		- An-Mei Hsu
		- George Hsu
		- An-Mei’s mother
		- Wu-Tsing
		- Rose Hsu Jordan
		- Ted Jordan
		- Bing
		- Mark
		- Luke
		- Matthew
		- Ruth
		- Janice
	+ Jong Family
		- Lindo Jong
		- Huang Taitai
		- Tyan-yu
		- Tin Jong
		- Waverly Jong
		- Marvin Chen
		- Rich Schields
		- Shoshana
	+ St. Clair Family
		- Ying-Ying St. Clair
		- Clifford St. Clair
		- Lena St. Clair
		- Harold Livotny
* **Review the Prologues from each section**
	+ “Feathers from a Thousand Li Away”
	+ “The Twenty-Six Malignant Gates”
	+ “American Translation”
	+ “Queen Mother of the Western Skies”
* **Themes and motifs**
* **Symbols (including but not limited to the following:)**
	+ Plants
	+ Jewels
	+ Books
	+ Furniture
	+ Food
* **Conflicts (what conflicts do the mothers and daughters have)**
	+ **Furthermore, what is Tan suggesting about conflicts between mothers and daughters**
* **Elements**
	+ **wood, water, metal, fire, earth**
	+ **There are several places where elements are addressed, and an imbalance impacts a character’s personality.**
* **Archetypes!**
	+ **Especially character, but colors and settings are in there, too.**