Rumblestar: Chapter 12

Q1: Give 2 examples of the consequences of taking the hexed silver.

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'Hexed silver is pricier than gold,' Utterly muttered. 'But it's best to ignore it. Drizzle hag magic is *not* to be trusted.'

But now even the trees around them were silver, and no matter how hard Casper tried to focus on the task ahead, he found himself thinking about Candida and Leopold and the horrible things they always said about his family being poor. This amount of silver could change all that if he ever did get back to Little Wallops. It could bring smart clothes, a new car and fancy holidays . . . It would mean fitting in. At last.

Utterly knocked his paddle with her own and Casper's thoughts scattered. 'Drinking enchanted silver never ends well,' she told him. 'In class we learnt about a storm ogre who swallowed a whole jugful and now he's the richest ogre at the Smoking Chimneys, but he's never seen his silver because the river took his sight. And then there was the marsh goblin who got tons of silver but lost his voice. Trust me, it never ends happily.'

Q2: Casper realises that he and Utterly are more alike than he first thought. What is it that they have in common?

And for a wild moment, Casper found himself hoping for friendship instead of silver. Because the bruised and lonely part of his heart recognised something in Utterly, something in the way she had looked at the boys who passed her on the bridge over the moat and in the way that she had approached the girls in the courtyard. Utterly didn't fit in either. She was an outsider, just like him, and though he wasn't quite sure how to build a friendship with anyone, let alone a Rumblestar girl and an oversensitive reptile, he decided that it wouldn't be entirely dreadful if one somehow ended up happening anyway.