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Student notes for: Hospital Sketches, Chapter III: A Day

Day: 1

- 1. How does the nurse feel about her job at the beginning of the day? Find two specific examples from the first two pages to support your answer.
- 2. Use your annotations to make a list of all of the ways the nurses care for the soldiers. Using this list, what categories of care do the soldiers need?

Ways Nurses Care for Soldiers	Categories of Care

- 3. Re-read pages 4 & 5 and find two places where the nurse shows confidence or mental strength. What causes this growth for her? What do these changes from the beginning of the day for her character tell us about nursing?
- 4. Reread BOTH the second-to-last-paragraph of the story about the men eating supper (p. 14-15) and the paragraph about the chaplain (p.7). Based on what each character says and does, what sort of care do both the Chaplain and matron believe the men need?

	What character says and does	What these show about beliefs about care
Matron		
Chaplain		

- 5. Whose approach is closer to that of nurse, the matron's or the Chaplain's? Find an example to support your answer. How does Alcott show this approach is helpful?
- 6. How would the story be different if we had only one of these characters? What purpose does this contrast in philosophies serve in helping us understand Alcott's view of nursing?

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Focus question: What messages does Alcott send about nursing through her development of characters?
