Comments about “The Last Leaf”

I believe Mr. Berham did the right thing because he didn't think about himself. He was like Jesus who died for our sins.

I think that Berhman did the right thing because he risked he life, basically sacrifice himself for Johnsy. And he finally painted his masterpiece, which is better than any other painting because he saved someone's life.

I think Berhman should not have sacrificed his life. Couldn’t they have talked Johnsy out of her funk?

I believe that Mr. Behrman did the right thing, because it is a very selfless thing to give up your life for someone else. It seems that Behrman cares for Johnsy and so he painted the last leaf so she won't suffer death, but for him to. He sacrificed himself to save Johnsy's life. That's why I believe Mr. Behrman did the right thing.

Questions:

1. Why was Berhman’s masterpiece a leaf?
2. How come Berhman died when the last leaf fell and not Johnsy?
3. Why did Johnsy accept her death? Was Johnsy really prepared to die?
4. Why did Berhman paint “The Last Leaf”?
5. Why did Berhman spend forty years as a painter, if he was so bad at art?
6. Why would Berhman do something nice for Johnsy?
7. Why did Berhman risk his life to paint a masterpiece?
8. Why did Johnsy deny all of the nice things Sue did for her. But, she ended up wanting them at the end of the story?
9. Why would Berhman sacrifice his life for someone he thought was crazy and soft?
10. Why does Berhman really mean when he says, “You are just like a woman!”?