

## Sybil Movie Questions

1. At the beginning of the movie, why is Sybil standing in the water fountain?
2. What odd behaviors does Sybil exhibit?
3. What does Sybil say to Dr. Wilbur about remembering how long she had been in her office?
4. Using what you know about Dissociative Identity Disorder (DID) explain why Sybil doesn't remember?
5. How does the psychiatrist Dr. Wilbur explain Sybil's blackouts?
6. Was Sybil aware of the other personalities?
7. Explain the significance of each of the following personalities by giving a description of each one

-Marsha

-Vicki

-Peggy

-Mike

-Vanessa

-Mary

By the end of the movie you will need to be able to explain why Sybil developed each personality.

8. Why does Sybil talk and act like a little girl?

9. What childhood experience does Sybil's personality, Peggy, relive? How old is Peggy?
10. What treatment is Dr. Wilbur going to use on Sybil?
11. Why can't Sybil see?
12. Who are "the people"?
13. Why do Sybil's hands go numb? (What is the name for this disorder?)
14. What is "the purple"?
15. What things does Sybil's mother do to her?
16. Why might Sybil have a predisposition for psychopathology?
17. Why are Sybil's hands tied with dish towels?
18. Why do you think Sybil claims that she was faking the multiple personalities?
19. When Dr. Wilbur visits Sybil's childhood doctor what does she found out?
20. What happened in the green kitchen that traumatized Sybil?
21. Sybil was very musically talented as a child. Why did Dr. Wilbur say that music was spoiled her by the hands?
22. Why did Sybil keep breaking out windows? Was it Sybil or another personality?
23. Dr. Wilbur treated Sybil by using psychoanalysis. Explain what psychoanalytic techniques she used.

Sybil keeps making references to things that didn't seem to make sense until the

end of the movie.

What is the importance of each of the following:

"Guards around the Palace"

"I can't see anything, there are dishtowels that were put on by the hands."

"The hands..... who did they belong to? Why did you just see them as hands not part of a person."

"Music goes round and round."

Picture of a lightbulb

Piano playing

Swing set (crickety noise)

White hair

Button hook

Disinfectant

the color green

the color purple

Dripping water

"Oh Christmas Tree, Oh Christmas Tree"