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**Reading Questions: Session 17**

**Jean Ritchie**

Given how idyllic the life in the Cumberlands was—why did the Ritchie kids leave home?

What did music mean to the Ritchie family?

What instruments are mentioned?

What was the effect of the Hindman Settlement School? The Pine Mountain Settlement School?

Was her family illiterate?

Where did their family's songs come from?

How would you characterize the family's repertoire?

What was the tone of the article from 1885 (p. 115)? What was it about?

What did this family eat?

What seems to be the attitude towards race? (Don't forget to take into account "Children Go Where I send Thee")

How did the radio influence the culture? The railroad?