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QUICK CARD: *The Bronze Bow*

Fill out the Quick Card on the following page in a word-processing program. Delete the highlighted instructions and replace them with your own answers. The table will expand to contain your text as needed.

Title/Author	<i>The Bronze Bow</i> , by Elizabeth George Speare
Simple Plot	18-year-old Daniel, orphaned in childhood as a result of 1 st century Roman oppression of the Jews, struggles against his enemies for liberation.
Conflict	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daniel wants to sate his bloodlust by overthrowing the Roman empire. At the same time, he longs for peaceful relationships with family and friends, which are quite impossible in the face of his quest for revenge. • Daniel faces external obstacles in the daunting forces of the Roman military. He faces internal obstacles in his stony, unforgiving heart, which prompts him to withdraw from the relationships which might heal his heart. • Will Daniel take revenge on the Roman Empire? Will Daniel succumb to his hatred and be destroyed or will he follow the way of love and be reconciled to his family and friends? • Man v. Society; Man v. Himself
Setting	1 st century Judea, the time of Christ, among zealots and dissidents. The young manhood of the main character.
Characters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daniel bar Jamin, the protagonist • Leah and grandmother, Daniel's family • Joel and Thacia, Daniel's friends • Rosh, Samson, and the other zealots • Jesus
Specific Theme	Love is more powerful than hatred.
Literary Devices	<p>Simile: "...the way her hair had sprung, clean and alive and shining, like a bird's wing, back from her sooth forehead" (24).</p> <p>Imagery: "He trains my hands for war, so that my arms can bend a bow of bronze..." 'I think it really was bronze. I think David meant a bow that a man couldn't bend – that when God strengthens us we can do something that seems impossible" (87).</p> <p>Symbolism: "Jesus said that the Victory was God's promise. He called men to make ready their hearts and minds instead. Was it possible that only love could bend the bow of bronze?" (252).</p>