1 | brainstorm

1.1 | cupboards

1.1.1 | cupboards to lock as a symbol of wealth

1. baby kochamma, foreign returnees (67)

1.1.2 | things inside cupboards

- 1. rat making trips to cupboard at doctors office (63)
- 2. 'room kept its secrets ... cupboards closed' (43)
- 3. 'he was never sure which cupboard he might have to open ... counting his keys' train crossing man (31)
- 4. 'his mind was full of cupboards, cluttered with secret pleasures' (30)
- 5. 'shut it when you've finished it, baby kochamma said, and closed her face like a cupboard' (15)
- 6. baby kochamma's ooty cupboards, thermos flask in cupboard
- 7. swollen cupboards creaked dampness
- 8. Wisdom exercise notebooks book cupboard (74)
- 9. pappachi's got mamachi's shears from her sewing cupboard to shred ammu's boots (86)
- 10. label cupboard full of labels (92), it was red apparently
- 11. velutha has no keys to count or cupboards to lock (99)
- 12. waking ammu from her velutha dream using a creaky cupboard door (104)
- 13. chacko's cupboard of damaged balsa airplanes (113)
 - (a) "Pickle Baron-dreams and the People's War joined the racks of broken balsa planes" in Chacko's cupboard (132)
- 14. cupboards were dangerous to open because clothes and books and shoes would cascade down (chackos cupboards) (116)
- 15. glass-paned cupboard in comrade pallai's house with curtains to hide the contents (126)
 - (a) whatever comrade pallai stored in his curtained cupboard, it wasn't broken balsa airplanes

1.1.3 | secrets inside cupboards

1.1.4 getting lost in cupboards

- 1. cupboards with built-in bedrooms (metaphor for punishment, 55)
 - (a) 'the twins only asked for punishments that fit their crimes. Not ones that came like cupboards with built-in bedrooms. Not the ones you spent your whole life in, wandering through it's maze of shelves'

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- 1.2 | reversed containment
- 1.2.1 | river in the boat
- 1.2.2 | cupboards with built-in bedrooms

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