At the beginning Sookan is shy and doesn't know much about the outside world, she becomes more aware in these three events Haiwons birthday, grandfathers death and, when she tried to find her mother. Event #1 Haiwons Birthday. Everyone is happy and celebrating on Haiwons birthday when the party is crashed by Captain Narita. This event is shown in this quote. "Haiwon started to cry hysterically. The captain walked to our humble wooden table, and his sword clanked against his belt as he approached" (Chou 29.) This changed Sookan by making her scared and sad when she was originally happy. Event #2 Grandfathers death. Grandfathers family loved him very much, but sadly the war made him lose his will to live. As shown in this quote "Grandfather laid motionless his eyes closed but i knew he was not asleep because I heard him swallow his sorrow" (choi 42.)

Event #3 Sookan tries to find her mother. Sookan got separated from her mother and tried to find her. She asked a lot of people. As shown in this quote "We've been separated from our mother we told them" (choi 63.) This changes her by making her more independent from her mother, which will help if the inevitable ever happens. Through these events Sookan is a better person, because she has gone through so much. So she will have pity on people who have gone through a lot to.