The character Ruth in *Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro is haunted by decisions that she made when the protagonists of the novel where just children. When Ruth and her friend Kathy were living at Hailsham, Kathy met a boy named Tommy, and over time they became friends. When the protagonists came into their young adult years, Ruth and Tommy came together. But while Tommy and Kathy were not shaken by this union, Ruth knew that Kathy should have been with Tommy. Long after leaving Hailsham, the three friends were driving in a car together, and while Ruth was confessing about her past, she says, “But I kept you apart, I’m not asking you to forgive me for that” (Close Reading). This reveal results in Kathy becoming quite mad at Ruth and Ruth trying to reconcile with what she has done to her dear friends. Ruth’s decision is one of the most impacting events in the novel to Ruth’s consciousness and her morale.