

Anne of Green Gables

L. M. Montgomery

Why does Anne describe staying in Avonlea as a bend in the road rather than the end of the road?

TOTAL TIME

PASSAGE

30 minutes	Anne changes the object of ambition
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FIND THE ANCHOR TEXT

Use the Anchor Text Table of Contents in the Enhanced Reader to open the START anchor. Then use the dropdown to select the END anchor.

SECTION / LOCATION	Chapter XXXVIII · The Bend in the Road
START	I'm not going to Redmond.
END	I'm going to believe that the best does.
PASSAGE ID	sec-anne-03

THE MOVE

Distinguish abandoning ambition from redirecting it

WHY THIS PASSAGE

Anne gives up a particular route to ambition, not ambition itself. Calling the decision a bend in the road keeps the future open: direction changes, but movement and purpose continue.

MARK

Underline what Anne is no longer going to do. Circle every phrase showing what she still wants from her future. Star the road image and note what it preserves despite the changed plan.

NOTICE

- What specific ambition changes?
- What underlying desire or purpose remains?

- Why is 'bend' a more accurate metaphor for Anne's choice than 'end'?

THINK

Answer provisionally: Why does Anne describe staying in Avonlea as a bend in the road rather than the end of the road? Choose the strongest interpretation you can defend from this passage alone.

WRITE

Write a short evidence-based response to: Why does Anne describe staying in Avonlea as a bend in the road rather than the end of the road? Use at least two details from the assigned passage and explain how they support your interpretation.

CLOSE

Name the single detail that most changed or sharpened your interpretation, and explain why.

STRONG ANSWER	The road still continues; only its direction changes. Anne gives up Redmond but preserves purpose, work, learning, and future possibility, so the choice redirects ambition rather than ending it.
EVIDENCE	Use what Anne is giving up, what she plans to do instead, and the bend-in-the-road metaphor.
WATCH FOR	Do not frame staying in Avonlea as surrender. The question asks what remains of the ambition after the route changes.
SOLO	Read the exact passage independently.
SUPPORTED	Use narration and sentence highlighting while reading the same passage.
LISTENING	Listen to the exact passage; visual following is optional. Same question and evidence demand.

STUDENT PAGE · SAME PASSAGE, SAME THINKING

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OPEN THE MARKED PASSAGE IN TUMBLELIT

SOLO: read independently. SUPPORTED: use narration + highlighting. LISTENING: listen to the exact passage. The question and evidence task stay the same.

1. **MARK** - Underline what Anne is no longer going to do. Circle every phrase showing what she still wants from her future. Star the road image and note what it preserves despite the changed plan.
2. **NOTICE** - What specific ambition changes? What underlying desire or purpose remains? Why is 'bend' a more accurate metaphor for Anne's choice than 'end'?
3. **THINK** - Answer provisionally: Why does Anne describe staying in Avonlea as a bend in the road rather than the end of the road?
4. **WRITE** - Write a short response using at least two pieces of evidence from this passage.

Use evidence from the assigned passage. Show what you noticed and how the text supports your interpretation.