

#### Chapter 4 (pg. 47)

1. Which block were Weisel and his father told to try to NOT be assigned to?
2. What was Weisel's "condition" when offered a good Kommando?
3. What did the young man want Weisel to trade?
4. What was the dentist looking for?
5. What was the work that Weisel's Kommando did?
6. What did Weisel think that he and his father were "lucky"?
7. How did Weisel get out of having the dentist extract his gold tooth twice?
8. Weisel said "The \_\_\_\_\_ alone was measuring time"?
9. Who took care of Weisel when Idek beat him up?
10. How did Franek convince Weisel to give him his gold tooth?
11. What item was used to remove Weisel's gold crown?
12. What was Weisel's reaction when he caught Idek with the girl?
13. How many times was Weisel whipped?
14. What was Weisel describing as "supreme temptation"?
15. To what did he compare the cauldrons (giant pots) of soup?
16. What happened to the man that tried to steal the soup?
17. Why do you think that when the air raid took place, "every bomb that hit filled [them] with joy, gave [them] renewed confidence"?
18. What did the young man yell as he was about to be hanged?
19. After the hanging, what was every prisoner forced to do?
20. How does Weisel describe the pipel's face?
21. What horrible thing happened when the pipel was hanged?

#### Chapter 5 (pg. 66)

1. Explain what did Weisel mean when he said. "Man is stronger, greater than God".
2. In the past, what had dominated Weisel's life?
3. What was selection?
4. What advice did the Blockalteste give to Weisel's group before selection began?
5. What item regulated everything?
6. What two items did Weisel's father insist he take when the second selection began?
7. What did Akiba Drumer ask of Weisel and the others after being taken away for selection?
8. What was Weisel sent to the infirmary?
9. What was the advice of the dying Hungarian Jew in the bed next to Weisel at the infirmary?
10. When Weisel awoke after surgery what did he think had happened?
11. Explain the following quote from the man in the infirmary: "I have more faith in Hitler than in anyone else. He alone, has kept his promises, all his promises, to the Jewish people".
12. What did they think would happen to the patients in the infirmary?
13. What actually happened to those in the infirmary?
14. What strange chore were the prisoners assigned before they were evacuated?

#### Chapter 6 (pg. 83)

1. What would happen to a prisoner who could not keep pace with the run or stopped for a second?
2. What happened to Zalman during the march?
3. What was the sole reason Weisel did not give up and stop running?
4. How far did the evacuees travel over night?
5. Why did no one who was dying ask the other prisoners for help?
6. What would cause sure death?
7. What does Weisel believe Rabbi Elilkas' son has done?
8. For what does Weisel pray?
9. What was the name of the new camp?
10. What sound does Weisel hear after climbing through the people, dead and alive?
11. How long were they in Gleiwitz?
12. How did Weisel get his father out of the "weak" line during the selection?
13. How did the prisoners, who were forbidden to sit or bend down, quench their thirst?
14. How many people were put in a cattle car this time?

#### Chapter 7 (p. 98)

1. Why did the train stop?
2. Do you think the German worker who threw the piece of bread into the cattle car had good or bad intentions?
3. Of the 100 originally in Weisel's cattle car, how many were left when they reached Buchenwald?

#### Chapter 8 (p. 104)

1. What was Weisel's "old fear"?
2. What was all that mattered once the prisoners were allowed inside in Buchenwald?
3. To what does Weisel compare his father when he received the coffee?
4. As Weisel's father lay dying, what did he need to tell Weisel?
5. What advice does the Blockälteste give to Weisel about his father?
6. When the SS came into the infirmary and hit his father in the head, why did Weisel not defend his father?
7. What was the last word uttered by Weisel's father?
8. What was the date when Weisel assumed his father had died?

#### Chapter 9 (p. 113)

1. On what date did Weisel leave Buchenwald?
2. What was the one thing that still mattered?
3. What was Weisel's first act as a free man?
4. What happened to Weisel three days after liberation?
5. How does Weisel describe his image in the mirror?