

## **Optional Distance Learning Survey**

**\*\* This is an optional assignment. If you do not complete this assignment it will have no impact on your grade.**

**\*\*\*But it would be really helpful to me if you can complete it. 😊**

1. How would you rate your distance learning experience in this class?
2. What did you like about distance learning?
3. What did you dislike about distance learning?
4. Which distance learning platform (Zoom, Microsoft Teams, Edmodo) worked the best for you? Why?
5. Could I have done anything to improve the distance learning experience?
6. Do you have any feedback/suggestions?

### OPTIONAL Essay Questions for *Night* by Elie Wiesel

**\*\*** This is an optional assignment that can be completed for feedback, and enhance your education. If you choose not to complete this assignment it will not negatively impact your grade.

**Directions:** Choose one prompt to answer in with three body paragraphs. Include context, textual evidence in the form of quotes, parenthetical citations (Wiesel 9). Make sure to use correct spelling of names, places and events. Use correct grammar. Write the novel name *Night* in italics.

#### ESSAY QUESTIONS

1. Dehumanization is the process by which the Nazis gradually reduced the Jews to little more than "things" which were a nuisance to them. Discuss at least three specific examples of events that occurred which dehumanized Eliezer, his father, or his fellow Jews.
2. After Eliezer's father was beaten by Idek, a Kapo, Eliezer says, "I had watched the whole scene without moving. I kept quiet. In fact I was thinking of how to get farther away so that I would not be hit myself. What is more, any anger I felt at that moment was directed, not against the Kapo, but against my father. I was angry with him, for not knowing how to avoid Idek's outbreak. That is what concentration camp life had made of me." Discuss what the last line signifies. Discuss how his attitude had changed.
3. Discuss why you think the townspeople remained complacent despite the advance of the German army (why did the villages surrounding the concentration camps do nothing to stop the NAZIs).
4. Discuss why Eliezer lied to Stein, his relative, about Stein's family. Discuss whether or not you think he was morally right and what choices he had in the matter.
5. Discuss the significance of "night" in the novel. Cite examples from the story to support your answer.
6. There are quotes from the novel that are significant and poignant. Explain the relevancy of the following quotes (all):
  1. "...Never shall I forget those moments that murdered my God and my soul and turned my dreams to ashes..." (pg 34)
  2. Explain the author's meaning when he says after the handing of the youth from Warsaw that "the soup tasted better than ever," (63) yet after the pipel was hanged, "the soup tasted of corpses" (65).
  3. "I have more faith in Hitler than in anyone else. He alone has kept his promises, all his promises, to the Jewish people" (81).

	On Your Way	Proficient	Advanced
E v i d e n c e	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Evidence is missing completely</li><li>● Illogical evidence that does not support inference</li><li>● Evidence is not a direct quote, or it is missing</li><li>● Illogical or incomplete explanation of how evidence connects to claim</li><li>● Explanation is summary/restatement</li><li>● Explanation conveys a general idea, but requires the reader to infer the complete connection between theme and evidence</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Provides three piece of relevant evidence (a direct quote)</li><li>● Has a reasonable explanation that connects evidence to the claim</li><li>● Explanation might be basic/too short/need elaboration</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Provides three piece of strong textual evidence AND</li><li>● Has a thorough &amp; insightful explanation and/or</li><li>● Provides multiple connections between the text &amp; inference.</li><li>● Explanation may include CTA</li></ul>