

## **STUDY GUIDE QUESTIONS FOR NIGHT**

### **PAGES 3-22**

- 1. Where is Elie from?**
- 2. When does he meet Moishe the Beadle? Who is he? What does he teach Elie?**
- 3. Who are the members of Elie's family?**
- 4. What happens to Moishe? What news does he bring when he returns?**
- 5. Why won't Elie's father leave the country?**
- 6. When do things change for Elie and his family?**
- 7. What is the first thing that happens to the Jewish people?**
- 8. Where do they go after 3 days? What are the rules there?**
- 9. Where are they moved to? What happens while they are there?**

### **PAGES 23-28**

- 1. What are conditions like on the cattle cars?**
- 2. Who is Mrs. Schachter? What impact does she have on the story?**
- 3. What do the passengers do to Mrs. Schachter?**
- 4. Where do they end up?**
- 5. What are they told about the conditions there? How do they react to that?**
- 6. What do they see on at the camp? Why is that ironic?**

### **PAGES 29-46**

- 1. What happens to the items that they have brought with them?**
- 2. What happens to the men and women?**
- 3. What advice is given to Elie and his father?**
- 4. What do the other Jews not believe about the new arrivals?**
- 5. Who do they get judged by?**
- 6. Do the two men get to stay together? Do they know where they are being sent?**
- 7. What does Elie see that never leaves his memory?**
- 8. Why does he consider running into the barbed wire? What happens before he can take this action?**
- 9. What has that night ruined for him?**
- 10. What happens when they get to the barracks?**
- 11. What happens the next morning?**
- 12. Where are they marched to? What happens there?**
- 13. How are things different at this camp at first?**
- 14. Who does Elie say to his relative? Why? How does this affect Stein?**
- 15. What is the meaning of "getting a number"?**
- 16. What happens to change this effect on Stein?**
- 17. Where are they marched to next?**

## **PAGES 47-65**

- 1. What happens as they arrive at this camp?**
- 2. Where are they assigned to work?**
- 3. Where does Elie live?**
- 4. What happens with the dentist?**
- 5. How does the foreman get Elie's gold crown?**
- 6. What does Idek do to Elie? Who helps him? What happens many years later?**
- 7. How does Franek get Elie's crown?**
- 8. What happens when they do not have to work but go to the railroad depot?**
- 9. What is Elie's punishment? The threat if he tells what he saw?**
- 10. What do the SS do when there is an alert? What happens to prisoners who are caught stealing?**
- 11. Why are the men angry about the young boy suspected of sabotage?**

## **PAGES 66-84**

- 1. How does Elie feel on Rosh Hashanah? On Yom Kippur?**
- 2. In what barracks does Elie now live? What is his job?**
- 3. What happens between Elie and his father when his father's number is told to stay behind? What is the end result of that?**
- 4. What happens when winter arrives? What happens to Elie?**
- 5. What or who does Elie's fellow patient tell him that he has the most faith in? Why?**
- 6. What news do they receive? What are the sick supposed to do? What is the irony of Elie not staying as a sick person?**
- 7. What preparations do they make for their evacuation?**

## **PAGES 85-97**

- 1. What are the weather conditions for their march?**
- 2. What happens to anyone who cannot keep up?**
- 3. What keeps Elie from falling down and just waiting to die?**
- 4. Why are they afraid to fall asleep at the shed?**
- 5. What happened to the beloved Rabbi's son?**
- 6. How is the second day of marching different from the first day?**
- 7. What happens when they get to the barracks at the next camp?**
- 8. Who does Elie see in this barracks? What does this person do?**
- 9. How long do they stay in this barracks? What are the living conditions?**
- 10. Where do they march to next? What happens before they leave? How does Elie save his father and others?**
- 11. What are they allowed to eat and drink? Where are they placed?**

**PAGES 98-103**

- 1. What do they find when they wake up on the train the first morning?**
- 2. What do they do with what they find?**
- 3. How do the German laborers react to seeing their train?**
- 4. What happens when a laborer throws a bread crust onto the train?**
- 5. How many of the initial passengers survived the trip to Buchenwald?**

**PAGES 104-112**

- 1. What did Elie forget to do the first night at the new camp?**
- 2. What does Elie bring to his father the next morning? How does his father react?**
- 3. Why doesn't Elie's father receive food rations?**
- 4. How does Elie get the bed next to his father?**
- 5. What information is his father desperate to tell him?**
- 6. Why do the other inmates beat his father?**
- 7. What is his father's last word?**
- 8. Why does Elie stare at his father?**
- 9. How does Elie react to his father's death?**
- 10. What would one find if Elie's deepest feelings were analyzed?**

**PAGES 113-115**

- 1. How long does Elie remain at Buchenwald? How does he feel about his life after his father dies?**
- 2. What process begins on April 5?**
- 3. What happens on April 10<sup>th</sup> that ultimately spares Elie and the others?**
- 4. Who are the first people to save Elie and the others?**
- 5. What is the first act of the prisoners when the Americans enter camp?**
- 6. What happens to Elie three days after the liberation? How long is he in the hospital?**
- 7. When Elie is well enough to get out of bed, what does he see that he will never forget?**