

# **Night**

## **Part Five—(Sections Seven-Nine, pp. 98-115) Comprehension Check**

**Directions:** As you read and take notes, use the Comprehension Check questions below to help guide your understanding of all aspects of the novel. You may want to use these questions to help you take notes. After reading the given sections, answer the questions on a separate sheet of paper.

### **Section Seven (pp. 98-103)**

1. Why had so many of the prisoners died during the night?
2. Why did the train stop in the middle of a deserted field? Why did this make the prisoners so happy?
3. To what did Wiesel liken the story of the Germans throwing bread into the wagon? Why was it so upsetting to him?
4. Briefly recount the story of the father who was able to get the bread for himself and his son.
5. Of the one hundred who had started the journey, how many climbed down from the train at Buchenwald?

### **Section Eight (pp. 104-112)**

1. After waiting so long in the snow and icy wind, why were the prisoners finally allowed to go into the blocks?
2. What did Elie do that made him feel "ashamed forever"?
3. Why weren't the sick prisoners given anything to eat?
4. As Elie's father lay on his bed near death, what did he feel he needed to tell Elie?
5. Elie took his father to see the doctor who would not treat him for his dysentery because he was a surgeon and that wasn't his business. When a second doctor came to the block, he was there for only one reason. What was this reason?
6. What was most likely the major contributing factor in Elie's father's death?

### **Section Nine (pp. 113-115)**

1. After Elie's father died, Elie could think of only one thing. What was that?
2. Where was Elie sent to live?
3. Although over the loudspeakers came the order to assemble, some prisoners whispered to the children that they should go back. Why?
4. The evacuations did not take place and were postponed until the following day. Instead, the resistance decided to act. What was the result?
5. Coincidentally, what took place at 6:00 that evening?
6. What was ironic about Elie's bout with food poisoning shortly after the liberation?