

Dear 8<sup>th</sup> Graders and Parents,

The summer slide: it sounds fun, but it can make the transition from seventh grade to eighth grade very difficult. Saints John and Paul School students can start strong in September if their reading habits don't "slide" away during the summer.

Students entering 8<sup>th</sup> grade must read: **8A:** The Book Thief by Markus Zusak and **8G:** They Cage the Animals at Night by Jennings Michael Burch. After completing the novel, they are to complete the given exam/writing project. This will be collected and graded during the first week of school and will count towards their first ELA grade.

Please encourage your child to read other books for enjoyment this summer. Have a terrific summer! I am looking forward to seeing you in September.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Rose Scozzari

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Literature 8A

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The Book Thief

End of Book Exam

Part 1: Multiple Choice: Circle the correct answer.

1. Where does Liesel's brother die?
  - A. In a hospital
  - B. On a train
  - C. At home in bed
  - D. In Hans and Rosa's basement
2. Which book does Liesel steal first?
  - A. The Duden Dictionary
  - B. The Shoulder Shrug
  - C. The Grave-diggers Handbook
  - D. The Whistler
3. What is the English translation of Himmel Street?
  - A. Heaven Street
  - B. Hotdog Street
  - C. Rubble Street
  - D. High Street
4. What is the color of Hans' eyes?
  - A. Silver
  - B. Blue
  - C. Black
  - D. Brown
5. Hans befriends Liesel by teaching her to
  - A. Whistle
  - B. Play the accordion
  - C. Paint houses
  - D. Roll his cigarettes
6. Why does Rudy cover his body with coal?
  - A. To be invisible at night
  - B. To play a black cat in the school play
  - C. To imitate Jesse Owens

- D. To avoid joining the Hitler Youth
7. Why is Hans Jr. so belligerent with his father?
- A. He is angry that Hans Sr. is so poor
  - B. He is angry that Hans Sr. isn't a member of the Nazi party
  - C. He is angry that Hans Sr. is hiding a Jew
  - D. He is angry that Hans Sr. plays the accordion
8. At the book burning, when Liesel says she hates Hitler, Hans slaps her. He does this because
- A. He is patriotic and loves Hitler
  - B. It is dangerous for Liesel to speak against Hitler in public
  - C. She just stole a book, and Hans wants her to know stealing is wrong
  - D. He is sick of her complaining
9. Ilsa Hermann lost her son. He died \_\_\_\_
- A. In Russia
  - B. In a car accident
  - C. In WWI
  - D. During childbirth
10. In order to stay in shape in the basement, Max \_\_\_\_
- A. Does pushups and imagines he's boxing Hitler
  - B. Does sit-ups and imagines competing in the Olympics
  - C. Does jumping jacks and imagines swimming in the Amper River
  - D. Does yoga and imagines marrying Rosa Hubermann
11. When Rudy rescues Liesel's book from the river, he hopes to be rewarded with \_\_\_\_
- A. An apple
  - B. A cigarette
  - C. A reading lesson
  - D. A kiss
12. When Max gets sick, Rosa and Hans are very worried that he \_\_\_\_\_
- A. They can't afford medicine
  - B. His illness is contagious
  - C. His coughing will alert the neighbors
  - D. He'll die and they'll have to get rid of his body
13. At which battle was Michael Holtzapfel injured?
- A. Berlin

- B. Leningrad
  - C. Moscow
  - D. Stalingrad
14. After he gives bread to the Jewish prisoner being paraded through town, Hans' attitude can best be described as \_\_\_\_
- A. Pride for having intervened
  - B. Disgust for having watched the parade
  - C. Sorrow over how the Jews are treated
  - D. Panic for having jeopardized Max's safety.
15. According to Death, everyone in Nazi Germany had to take their turn being punished. What was Hans' punishment?
- A. Being sent to war
  - B. Being sent to Dachau
  - C. Being forced to memorize the MKPF
  - D. Losing his job
16. After Hans leaves, Rosa stays up holding his accordion each night because
- A. She doesn't want Liesel to play with it
  - B. She wants to learn to play it herself
  - C. It makes her feel close to Hans
  - D. She is worried it will get stolen
17. After Liesel tears up a book in Ilsa Hermann's library, Ilsa brings Liesel a blank notebook so that
- A. Liesel can write a letter to her mother
  - B. Liesel can write her own story
  - C. Liesel can do math homework
  - D. Liesel can draw a picture of Max
18. When Himmel Street is bombed, Liesel is not killed because
- A. She is in Ilsa Hermann's library
  - B. She is riding bikes with Rudy
  - C. She is in the Hubermann's basement
  - D. She is looking for Max in the forest
19. Rudy finally gets what he wants from Liesel after the bombing when she gives him \_\_\_\_
- A. A teddy bear
  - B. The fourth Hitler Youth metal

- C. A kiss
  - D. A book
20. Of the following characters, who survives the bombing on Himmel Street?
- A. Rudy
  - B. Nobody
  - C. Rosa
  - D. Hans
21. When Death comes for Liesel, he gives her a book he rescued from the rubble the night of the bombing. What is it?
- A. The Book Thief
  - B. The Grave-diggers Handbook
  - C. The Whistler
  - D. The Word Shaker
22. When Liesel asks Death if he read the book, he tells her is \_\_\_\_
- A. Not a fast reader
  - B. Sorry for what happened during the war
  - C. Haunted by humans
  - D. Jealous that she gets to die