**The Book Thief by Markus Zusak**

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This exercise consists of 50 multiple choice questions and 5 short answer questions from Prologue – Part 4.

**Multiple Choice Questions**

**1. Who places Liesel Meminger in foster care?
(a)** Her father. **(b)** Her aunt. **(c)** Her grandfather. **(d)** Her mother.

**2. Who is the narrator of this novel?
(a)** Fate. **(b)** Love. **(c)** Hope. **(d)** Death.

**3. How does the reader know Liesel's brother is sick?
(a)** He is moaning. **(b)** He is sweating. **(c)** He is coughing. **(d)** He is sneezing.

**4. How are Liesel and her brother traveling to the foster care system?
(a)** By ship. **(b)** By train. **(c)** By taxi. **(d)** By airplane.

**5. How many armed guards escort Liesel when she helps to bury her dead brother?
(a)** Three. **(b)** Five. **(c)** Two. **(d)** Four.

**6. To which German city is Liesel being relocated by the foster care system?
(a)** Munich. **(b)** Hamburg. **(c)** Berlin. **(d)** Stuttgard.

**7. Which of the following adjectives best describes Rosa Hubermann?
(a)** Cruel. **(b)** Shy. **(c)** Vulgar. **(d)** Warm.

**8. Which of the following instruments does Hans Hubermann play?
(a)** Bagpipes. **(b)** Banjo. **(c)** Accordian. **(d)** Harp.

**9. Which of the following activities does Hans Hubermann convince Liesel to do after she has been in the house for a few weeks?
(a)** Take a bath. **(b)** Eat porridge. **(c)** Change her clothes. **(d)** Walk the dogs.

**10. What does Rosa do for a living?
(a)** She is a factory worker. **(b)** She is a seamstress. **(c)** She is a laundress. **(d)** She is a midwife.

**11. What sport does Liesel regularly play with the neighborhood kids?
(a)** Football. **(b)** Dodgeball. **(c)** Soccer. **(d)** Baseball.

**12. What does Rudy use to darken his body in the hopes of emulating Jesse Owens?
(a)** Coal. **(b)** Paint. **(c)** Magic Marker. **(d)** Dirt.

**13. Which of the following characters teaches Liesel how to read?
(a)** Max. **(b)** Hans. **(c)** Rudy. **(d)** Rosa.

**14. What does Hans Hubermann do for a living?
(a)** He is a musician. **(b)** He is a mechanic. **(c)** He is a painter. **(d)** He is a teacher.

**15. At which holiday does Liesel finish reading "The Gravedigger's Handbook"?
(a)** Christmas. **(b)** Thanksgiving. **(c)** Independence Day. **(d)** Easter.

**16. What is the name of the street where Liesel lives with the Hubermann family?
(a)** Himmel Street. **(b)** Fimmel Street. **(c)** Mimmel Street. **(d)** Gimmel Street.

**17. Why is Rosa fired by various customers while Liesel is learning how to read?
(a)** Becuase she has been caught stealing. **(b)** Because of the declining economy. **(c)** Because customers don't approve of Liesel's education. **(d)** Because she is terrible at her job.

**18. How does Rosa react when she realizes Liesel is stealing from her?
(a)** Rosa makes her scrub the floor with a toothbrush. **(b)** Rosa forgives her. **(c)** Rosa ignores her. **(d)** Rosa beats her.

**19. To which of the following institutions is the Fuehrer most closely tied?
(a)** Religion. **(b)** Entertainment. **(c)** Education. **(d)** Politics.

**20. What event does the city stage in celebration of the Fuehrer's birthday?
(a)** A bonfire. **(b)** A feast. **(c)** A carnival. **(d)** They ignore the birthday completely.

**21. Why is Hans Jr. embarrassed to be seen with his father?
(a)** Because his father is an atheist when it is fashionable to be Catholic. **(b)** Because his father aligns himself with Hitler. **(c)** Because his father is uneducated and illiterate. **(d)** Because his father has not yet joined the Nazi party.

**22. Which of the following books does Hans Jr. think is the most valuable book ever written?
(a)** The Bible. **(b)** The Shoulder Shrug. **(c)** The Gravedigger's Handbook. **(d)** Mein Kampf.

**23. Which of the following political parties does Liesel think her mother belonged to?
(a)** Demoncrats. **(b)** Communists. **(c)** Socialists. **(d)** Republicans.

**24. Which body part does Liesel's school friend break while attending the book burning?
(a)** His ankle. **(b)** His nose. **(c)** His arm. **(d)** His neck.

**25. What part of her body is burned when Liesel steals a copy of "The Shoulder Shrug"?
(a)** Her back. **(b)** Her neck. **(c)** Her ribs. **(d)** Her fingertips.

**26. Where does Liesel sit and wait for Hans to come and pick her up from the book burning?
(a)** At the church. **(b)** At the school. **(c)** At the library. **(d)** At the hospital.

**27. How does Liesel describe the sensation of being burned at the book burning?
(a)** As feeling nothing at all. **(b)** As enlivening. **(c)** As painful. **(d)** As deadening.

**28. Who sees Liesel steal the book from the bonfire?
(a)** Adolf Hitler. **(b)** Rudy. **(c)** The mayor's wife. **(d)** Hans. Jr.

**29. Which of the following customers is Liesel so afraid of that she skips over her house whenever possible?
(a)** Frau Hansel. **(b)** Frau Hollapfel. **(c)** Frau Hermann. **(d)** Frau Hubermann.

**30. Which of the following mysterious characters is described as living in the dark shadows of Stuttgart?
(a)** A young man. **(b)** A young woman. **(c)** An old woman. **(d)** An old man.

**31. When the mysterious character living in the shadows is brought food and keys, which character is the mystery character urged to locate?
(a)** Max Vandenberg. **(b)** Liesel Meminger. **(c)** Rudy Steiner. **(d)** Hans Hubermann.

**32. Which book does Liesel spend all of her time reading during her first summer with the Hubermann family?
(a)** The Nose Twitch. **(b)** The Shoulder Shrug. **(c)** The Leg Cramp. **(d)** The Stomach Ache.

**33. Which of Frau Hermann's relatives dies, leaving her deeply depressed?
(a)** Her grandfather. **(b)** Her mother. **(c)** Her sister. **(d)** Her son.

**34. Which of the following adjectives does Liesel use to describe Frau Hermann during the summer she spends reading with her?
(a)** Selfish. **(b)** Crazy. **(c)** Angry. **(d)** Kind.

**35. Which of the following activities do Rudy and Liesel spend the summer doing?
(a)** Stealing. **(b)** Sewing. **(c)** Shopping. **(d)** Swimming.

**36. What does Rudy's father, Herr Steiner, do for a living?
(a)** He is a taxi driver. **(b)** He is a tailor. **(c)** He is an actor. **(d)** He is a doctor.

**37. What type of fruit do Rudy and Liesel steal from local farmers?
(a)** Tomatoes. **(b)** Apples. **(c)** Oranges. **(d)** Bananas.

**38. What does Liesel purchase with the coin she finds on the street outside Frau Dillard's house?
(a)** A new dress. **(b)** Toothpaste. **(c)** Potatoes. **(d)** Candy.

**39. What book does the mysterious young man take on the train with him while traveling cross country?
(a)** Mein Kampf. **(b)** Moby Dick. **(c)** The Quran. **(d)** The Bible.

**40. Outside of which building do Rudy and Liesel ice the sidewalk so they can steal a basket of food?
(a)** The church. **(b)** The school. **(c)** The market. **(d)** The apple farm.

**41. Where was Hans Hubermann stationed when he fought in WWI?
(a)** Canada. **(b)** Spain. **(c)** England. **(d)** France.

**42. Which branch of the armed forces did Hans Hubermann fight in during WWI?
(a)** The navy. **(b)** The army. **(c)** The air force. **(d)** The marines.

**43. What ethnicity was Erik Vandenberg?
(a)** He was Jewish. **(b)** He was Swedish. **(c)** He was Canadian. **(d)** He was German.

**44. What instrument did Erik Vandenberg play?
(a)** The accordian. **(b)** The bagpipes. **(c)** The banjo. **(d)** The harmonica.

**45. Why was young Hans Hubermann asked to stay behind during his fight of WWI?
(a)** Because he had a good sense of direction. **(b)** Because he had good handwriting. **(c)** Because he had a nice singing voice. **(d)** Because he was the best looking.

**46. How many soldiers survived the battle Hans Hubermann sat out during WWI?
(a)** One. **(b)** None. **(c)** Three. **(d)** Two.

**47. Who did Hans credit with saving his life during WWI?
(a)** Rosa. **(b)** Max Vandenberg. **(c)** Erik Vandenberg. **(d)** Adolf Hitler.

**48. Why was Max Vandenberg bullied as a child?
(a)** Because he was small. **(b)** Because he had a speech impediment. **(c)** Because he was Jewish. **(d)** Because he was poor.

**49. Upon arriving safely to the Hubermann household, how long does Max sleep, uninterrupted?
(a)** Three days. **(b)** Nine days. **(c)** Five days. **(d)** Seven days.

**50. What does Max give to Liesel for her birthday?
(a)** A new dress. **(b)** A doll. **(c)** A bouquet of flowers. **(d)** A book.

**Short Answer Questions**

**1.** Which of the following sports is Rudy most interested in?

**2.** What does Hans sell in order to buy Liesel two new books?

**3.** Where did Max Vandenberg grow up?

**4.** As a child, who saved Max from the Gestapo when they were removing Jews from the neighborhood?

**5.** How long is Max in hiding before being moved to Hans Hubermann's house?