If I Should Die Before I Wake - 7th Grade Reading Comprehension Questions

Due: Monday, May 6th, 2024. Remember to answer in complete sentences or points will be deducted. The purpose of the due dates next to each group of chapters is to keep you on track in your reading, please turn in all answers at once (in complete sentences on a separate sheet of paper) on 5/6/24.

Chapter 1: 1/19/24

- 1. What emotion would best fit Hilary at the beginning of the novel?
- 2. What event caused Hilary to be so upset? Who does Hilary direct her hurt feelings towards?

Chapter 2: 1/25/24

- 1. Where is Hilary in this chapter?
- 2. Who is Chana?

Chapter 3: 2/2/24

- 1. Why is Hilary at the hospital?
- 2. What do the warriors think of white men? What do they think of white women?

Chapter 4: 2/9/24

- 1. What bad news does Jakub give them when he comes in the door?
- 2. Why does the knock at the door make the family afraid at first?

Chapter 5: 2/16/24

- 1.In this context, what does it mean to say Nadzia will "pass"?
- 2. Why does Bubbe think remembering is important?

Chapter 6-7: 2/21/24

- 1. Why didn't Hilary's mother take care of her as a child?
- 2. Why does Chana think they are "all a family"?

Chapter 8-9: 3/1/24

- 1. How would you describe Chana's home in the ghetto at Lodz?
- 2. Hilary knows that her and grandma are connected. Why do you think their connection is important for Hilary?

Chapter 10-11: 3/7/24

- 1. What does "sitting shiva" refer to?
- 2. Why doesn't Hilary's mom believe Brad?

Chapter 12-13: 3/22/24

- 1. What happened to the sick Jewish people in the hospital?
- 2. What does Brad do with the gift meant for Hilary?

Chapter 14-15: 3/28/24

- 1. Where does Chana go to hide and why?
- 2. Why does Chana say the prison is better than the ghetto?

Chapter 16-17: 4/5/24

- 1. What do you think of the warning at the end of chapter 16?
- 2. Why does Chana hesitate to attack the guard?

Chapter 18-19: 4/11/24

- 1. What's happening to Hilary in chapter 18?
- 2.On the day Chana woke up sick, what job was she given to do?

Chapter 20-21: 4/19/24

- 1. Why had Dvora changed and become obedient to the Nazis?
- 2. Why does Chana say Dvora won't be forgiven?

Chapter 22- 23: 4/25/24

- 1. Why does Chana end up following the others outside to play her violin?
- 2. What gives Chana the strength to play the violin in chapter 23?

- Chapter 24-25: 5/3/24 1.How had Chana survived in the end?
- 2. What does Chana ask Hilary to do?
- 3. How had Simon survived?
- 4. What does Nadzia give to Chana?