

1984 Study Guide

Part 1

Directions: Answer the following questions as completely as you can. You are expected to answer in full sentences. You may, if you wish, use your book.

1. Describe the opening setting.
2. What are Mini-Pax, Mini-Luv, Mini-True, and Mini-Plenty?
3. What does Winston Smith do that is illegal?
4. What does his room look like?
5. What is *The Book* (not the diary)?
6. Who is Emanuel Goldstein?
7. Who is Big Brother?
8. What does one do during Two Minutes of Hate?
9. What does it mean to be vaporized?
10. Who are the following and tell something about them:
 - a. O'Brien
 - b. Parson Family
 - c. dark-haired girl
 - d. Syme
11. Who is Katherine? What happened to her?
12. As best you can, define the following:
 - a. Double Think
 - b. Newspeak
 - c. Ingsoc
 - d. Duck Speak
 - e. Thought Crime
13. What is Winston Smith's job? What exactly does he do?
14. In what context is the Chestnut Tree Cafe mentioned?
15. What are the slogans of the party?
16. What is the antique shop and why is it unique?
17. Describe Winston Smith's encounter with the prostitute.
18. Winston has several dreams. What are they?
19. What are proles? Inner Party? Outer Party?

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Part 2

Directions: Answer the following questions as completely as you can. You are expected to answer in full sentences. You may, if you wish, use your book.

1. What does the note say that was passed to Smith?
2. How do Smith and Julia meet?
3. Of what does the place that they meet at remind him?
4. What do we find out about society from Julia and Winston Smith's discussion?
5. What does Smith understand about the party that Julia doesn't? How do their philosophies differ?
6. Why is Smith happy to find out that Julia has had sex with many people?
7. Where do Julia and Smith set up their rendezvous?
8. What happens to Syme?
9. Smith and Julia go to O'Brien's apartment. What is the apartment like?
10. What conclusions can you draw about O'Brien and the inner party from the Apartment?
11. What do Julia, Winston, and O'Brien discuss?
12. What is the one thing that both Julia and Winston tell O'Brien that they refuse to do?
13. What happens in the room at the end of Part 2? What do we find out?

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Part 3

Directions: Answer the following questions as completely as you can. You are expected to answer in full sentences. You may, if you wish, use your book.

1. Explain what the Mini-Luv is, and what it is like.
2. What is Smith's imprisonment like?
3. How is Smith "educated?"
4. When Smith hears O'Brien what does he think? But what does he find out?
5. What is Room 101?
6. At what point does Smith betray himself as not "Re-educated?"
7. What is in for him in 101?
8. How or when do we know he is truly broken down?
9. Where does Smith find himself at the end of the 1984?
10. What probably happens in the end? To Winston Smith? To Julia?