Quiz: 1984: Part II, Chapters 1-3  

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1. What pretext does Julia use to pass a note to Winston?

Julia, with her arm in a sling, approaches Winston in a hallway in the Ministry of Truth. As she passes him, she falls and cries out in pain. When he helps her up, she passes him a note that says, “I love you.”

2. Briefly describe what the crowd is watching when Winston and Julia meet in Victory Square to talk.

When Winston gets to Victory Square, the crowd rushes forward to view a passing convoy of Eurasian prisoners, and Winston manages to get close enough to Julia to talk. As several truckloads of prisoners in leg irons pass, Winston focuses on one old man who looks as if he is used to having his hands bound.

3. Briefly describe the place where Winston and Julia meet privately for the first time.

They meet in the country outside London. Winston follows a lane to a footpath and meets Julia, who leads him to a natural clearing in the woods completely surrounded and protected by saplings.

4. What black market gift does Julia bring to Winston when they meet?

Chocolate

5. What is Julia’s attitude concerning revolution against the Party? Briefly explain her reasons.

She does not believe in the Brotherhood and thinks any organized revolt against the Party is doomed to failure and, therefore, stupid. Her goal is to break the rules as cleverly as possible and not get caught.

Winston realizes that there are probably many others in her generation who accept the Party’s dominance and, rather than rebel against its authority, simply try to evade it.

6. Briefly describe the incident that Winston relates to Julia about the time he and his wife participated in a community hike.

Approximately eleven years ago, Winston and his wife, Katherine, became separated from the group while on a community hike, and came to the edge of a quarry. As Winston points out some flowers to Katherine, she leans over the cliff, and Winston momentarily thinks of pushing her over.

When Julia asks why he didn’t, he admits that he regrets not pushing her, and probably would do so if the same thing happened now. However, it also occurs to him that Julia is young and somewhat naïve, and killing Katherine would have solved nothing.