**Personal Response:** As we read the chapter, look for details, images, or lines that strike you. Record at least one such line here and explain why it stuck out to you, what it makes you feel/think of, or what questions you have. *(2 sentences)*

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| **Striking Detail, Image, or Line:** ( ) | **Thoughts:** |

# Reading Questions:

1. *(Pg. 66-67) Rosh Hashanah* is one of the holiest days of the Jewish year. How does Elie react internally during this Rosh Hashanah service? Why is he reacting this way?

2. As Elie write about God in this passage, what is his tone?

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| **Tone Words (2-3):**  | **Evidence (Quotes)** |
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3. (*2nd paragraph 68)* How does Elie say he has changed from the way he used to observe this holiday?

4. *(Pg. 69)* Why is eating bread and soup on Yom Kippur significant for Elie? How does he feel after he does it?

5. *(Pg. 69-70)* How does the “selection” affect the men in the camp? (Think about attitudes, treatment of each other, their focus, etc.)

6. *(Pg. 73)* Elie says, “Whenever I happened to dream of a better world, I imagined a universe without a bell.” What does the bell represent to Elie? What literary device is this an example of?

7. *(Pg. 76)* What happens to Akiba Drumer? Why?

8. *(Pg. 80)* Explain the following piece of figurative language:

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| “We were already accustomed to rumors of this kind. It was not the first time a false prophet had foretold to us peace-on-earth, negotiations-with-the-Red-Cross-for-our-release… And often we believed them. It was an injection of morphine.” Pg. 53 | *Identify the two things being compared in the metaphor:**Why does the author use this metaphor? (Hint: how are these two things alike?)* |

9. *(Pg. 81)* Why does Elie’s neighbor in the hospital say that he has “faith in Hitler?” What is ***ironic*** about this faith?

10. *(Pg. 82)* Look at the small paragraph in the middle of the page. What is especially striking about this paragraph, and why do you think the author separated it from the rest of the text?

11. *(pg. 84)* Read the following selection:

The head of the block suddenly remembered that he had forgotten to clean out the block. He ordered four prisoners to wash the wooden floor….An hour before leaving the camp! Why? For whom?

“For the liberating army,” he cried. “So that they’ll realize there were men living here and not pigs.”

*Why is it important to the head of the block for the liberating army to realize this?*