The Book Thief Reading Notes

Answer the following questions as you read along and make sure that you specifically reference the page that you get your information from to support your answers. Remember, you can no longer argue with vague generalities when the evidence is right in front of you. You MUST reference specific instances to support your answers. You will need to answer these questions on a separate sheet of paper.

Prelude and Part One

- 1) Who is the narrator of this story?
- 2) What flag does the narrator see?
- 3) Her brother dies on the way to Molching; why are they going there?
- 4) Characterize Hans and Rosa Hubermann. You need at least three examples to support your characterization of each.
- 5) Look up the Hitler Youth Movement on the History Learning Site. What did Hitler expect German youth to be like? What were the physical expectations set for German girls and how did the Nazi government take care of attendance issues?
- 6) How did Liesel win Rudy's admiration?
- 7) Describe what the Jesse Owens incident was about? Explain why this was such a problem in Germany in 1936? What impact did Jesse Owens have at the 1936 Summer Olympics as far as Nazi ideology was concerned?
- 8) Why is Liesel a book thief?
- 9) Describe the incident that made Liesel Heavyweight Champ of the school yard.