

7. How does he react to the idea of being “free?”

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Study Guide- Chapter Two

1. How does the author describe his family before the abuse?

2. List five positive things he says about his mother.

3. What was the “most dramatic” of his mom’s lessons?

4. Why did his mom cry while standing alone in the backyard?

5. Where is the author’s “favorite place in the world?”

6. What did the author do that his mother was proud of?

9. How was getting hit by his mother a victory for him?

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Study Guide- Chapter Four

1. What did the month of September bring?

2. How was the author punished on weekends?

3. In what way was the author "no longer a member of the family?"

4. How did his mother explain David's "problems?"

5. Describe what happened when David was punished for making too much noise at a neighbor's cabin.

6. What made his mother finally let go?

7. Describe how David devised a plan to get food from the local grocery store.

8. What happened to David's graham crackers?

9. Describe the incident with the leftover pork.

10. Why did David's mother force him to vomit?

11. What was the next punishment she had for him?

12. What process did David use to beg for food?

13. What happened the day that David got caught begging?

14. Why didn't David sleep?

15. What happened after his brothers went to sleep?

16. What was the result of being forced to drink the diswashing soap?

17. What made David feel like he had won the Olympic marathon?

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Study Guide- Chapter Five

1. On average, how often did David get to eat dinner?

2. Why did David refer to Russell as Mother's "little Nazi?"

3. What happened when Mother lost her balance?

4. How did Father react when David told him about the stabbing?

5. What was the only way David felt that Mother could beat him?

6. What happened when David accidentally fell against Mother?

7. What was Mother doing when David woke in a cold sweat?

8. What happened about three days after the "accident?"

9. How does David imagine himself?

9. Why did it do no good for Father to be home?

10. How did Mother suggest David warm himself?

11. In what way were the roller skates another way for Mother to torture David?

12. What was different when Mother was in the hospital?

13. Describe Mother's "apology."

14. Why did David feel like a fool?

15. What advice did Father give to David as he would leave in the morning?

16. Why did David cry inside?

8. What was the only thing that kept David sane?

9. How was David blamed for the baby's pending birth defect?

10. What three things does David say he "knew?"

11. How would Mother try to embarrass Father at his work?

12. What questions did David have while watching his father pack?

13. What did David think would be necessary for Mother and Father to be happy?

14. What did David wish mother would do to show him mercy?

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Study Guide- Epilogue

1. Where does the epilogue take place?

2. In what ways is David blessed?

3. Where has David brought his son?

4. What makes David cry?