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Year 7 English

Novel Study- Once

Chapter 13 and 14 Review Questions

- 1. Why does Barney give Felix new boots? (112)
- 2. Where did the Nazi soldiers tell the Jews they were going and why is it a lie? (113)
- 3. What does Barney grab from the dentist office? (116)
- 4. "Loved". How does the use of past tense language here alter Felix's beliefs? (118)
- 5. "That's the stupidest story I've ever heard". Why does Felix not believe Barney? (118)
- 6. Why does Felix need to go out by himself? (123)
- 7. The night that Felix goes out by himself is the nights that the Nazis decided to 'clean out' the ghettos. How does Felix avoid getting captured on this dangerous night?
- 8. What shock awaits Felix on his return to the apartment? (130)

Extension

1. Felix says of stories, "now I hate them". It is obvious to the reader that Felix has changed. Create a list of the 5 most significant experiences that have changed Felix throughout the novel. In the second column, explain how these experiences have changed him.

Experience	How it changed Felix
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	

- 2. Even though Felix has been through so much, he is still naïve and shows his innocence. Find at least one example of this in Chapter 14 and explain how it shows his naïvety.
- 3. The importance of books is emphasized again in this chapter. Felix's favourite gets him into terrible danger, but other books "save" him. What do books symbolise and mean for Felix?