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| **Level**  7/8 | **Book:** Rabbit, Soldier, Angel, Thief  **Author:** Mark Smith | **Prepared by**  Peter Sanson |  | **Region:** Capricornia |
| **No.** | **Question** | **Answer** | **Page\* Ref** | **Points and Comment re scoring** |
|  | What fairy tale does Anna Pushinka read about Baba Yoga? Who is Baba Yoga and what is the story about? | Baba Yoga (BY)- mean old women who eats children  BY lives in a house that walks around on chicken legs. | 29 | 1/2 point Baba Yoga- mean old women  1/2 point Baba Yoga mean old women who eats children  1 point lives in a house that walks around on chicken legs |
|  | What did Sasha’s mum used to call the flowers, dahlias?  What other flowers remind Sasha of his mum and why? | Dahlia’s- queen of Autumn  Cornflowers, because they are blue like Sasha’s mother’s eyes | 54 | 1 point queen of autumn  1 point cornflowers- blue like his mother’s eyes |
|  | Why does Sargent Ivan Rovenski wear padded gloves and why is Sgt. Ivan Rovenski called invincible Ivan? | Because he wants to protect his hands so he can sculpt and create art after the war.  He is called invincible Ivan because he has been injured, several times, but not killed | 70-71 | 1 point protect his hands  1 point he is called invincible Ivan because he can’t be killed |
|  | What difference is there in the way Major Scruff tells the turnip story in comparison to how Sasha heard the story from his mum and how is the story used as a metaphor for Sasha’s role in the war? | Major Scruff’s version differs as the bomb blows the turnip out of ground and into a bowl of soup  Sasha’s version- a beetle comes to help the family attempting to remove the turnip and the turnip is freed from the ground.  The major makes the comment that Sasha is *that beetle*, he does not need to hold a gun, he just needs to do his little bit. | 74, 75 | 1/2 point bomb blows the turnip out of the ground  1/2 point Sasha’s version- the beetle comes to help remove the turnip  1 point- Sasha is the beetle, he does not need to hold a gun, he just needs to do his little bit in the war. |
|  | What does the soldier with the broken arm whisper to Sasha when he returns with a broken leg. What song does Sasha sing to comfort him? | “My three best friends were lost today”  Sings the song about the little birch tree | 78 | 1/2 point little birch song  1.5 points “my three best friends were lost today” |
|  | Sasha asks what makes a village? Bonus for which soldiers reply | Natasha- log houses with a big stove  Sleepy Bear- barns and an orchard  A young soldier- animals  Another soldier- cows, pigs, chickens and geese  Invincible Ivan- a village is not a village without people | 82, 83 | 1/2 point Natasha- log houses with a big stove  1/2 point Sleepy Bear- barns and an orchard  1/2 point A young soldier- animals  1/2 point Another soldier- cows, pigs, chickens and geese  0r  1 point Invincible Ivan- a village is not a village without people |
|  | What is inside the small book the German soldier/ prisoner has and why are the contents ironic? | The contents of the book are Russian phrases translated from German. This is ironic because a German soldier would be able to say the phrase but would not understand the Russian response. | 91 | 1 point- Russian phrases translated from German  1 point ironic because while the soldier may say the Russian phrase they would not be able to understand the response |
|  | What is the name given to the soldier with a black patch over his eye and what is different about this soldier? | Name- Dedushka  He has a tape measure around his neck, a row of pins threaded into his sleeve.  A massive pair of scissors hanging from his belt | 93 | 1 point for name Dedushka  1 point for any of the following:  Tape measure around his neck  Row of pins threaded in his sleeve, a massive pair of scissors hanging from his belt |
|  | What was Major Scruff’s occupation before the war and what does he help Sasha with? | Major Scruff was a teacher- he helps teach Sasha how to read | 99 | 1 point teacher  1 point teaches Sasha how to read |
|  | What distracts Private Sasha in the forest and what does Lieutenant Maria give Sasha when he enters the trench? | A chicken distracts Sasha and Lieutenant Maria gives Sasha a sweet | 110-111 | 1 point chicken  1 point a sweet |
|  | What book does Sasha find in the rubble, who is the author and how does is the name used again in the story? | Leo Tolstoy’s ‘War and Peace’  The camel is called Tolstoy | 144-145 | 1 point ‘War and Peace’- Leo Tolstoy  1 point camel called Tolstoy |
|  | Sasha feels shame when he takes items from a German family. What does he take/ask/demand from them and what happens when Sasha shows the items to Major Scruff | A yellow truck, a wrist watch, a clock.  Major scruff explains this is not who Sasha is. | 275-277 | 1/2 point yellow truck  1/2 point wrist watch  1/2 point clock  1/2 point- returns the items due to feeling shame. |