

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

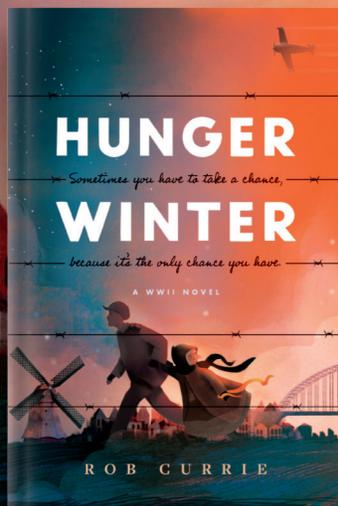
for CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

# HUNGER

and

# WINTER

CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOL FAMILIES



# HUNGER WINTER *Discussion Questions*

1. What do you find most surprising or inspiring in this account of the Nazi era?
2. Which character are you most similar to? Explain.
3. In the Old Testament, King Darius ordered all the Jews, including Daniel, to pray to the king only (Daniel 6). Compare Daniel's response to how Dirk and his family responded to the Nazis' orders.
4. Dirk relied on his father's advice to get him through hard times. Whose advice has been helpful to you in hard times? Do you have a favorite Bible verse or Christian song that helps you persevere?
5. Which character in ***Hunger Winter*** had the biggest reason to feel afraid? How does the Bible show that God cares about our fears?
6. Read Galatians 5:22-23. Which fruit of the spirit would be most needed by the characters in ***Hunger Winter***?
7. ***Hunger Winter*** focuses a lot on hunger for food. Besides the hunger for food, are there other types of hunger demonstrated in the book? What are the various types of hunger, real and symbolic, to which the title could refer?
8. Read Isaiah 55. Why does the Bible use hunger as a metaphor to describe our need for God?
9. Did this book change you in any way? Did you come away having learned something about history, about faith, or about yourself?
10. Can you think of situations where it might be challenging to be a dedicated Christian and a member of the Resistance? Explain your answer.
11. What is worth risking your safety and your life for? Support your answer.
12. Pick a character and explain what you feel that person's greatest temptation was.
13. How did faith help Els, Papa, and Anna during their hard times?
14. What are some ways you could be brave for your family or for God?



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## VIDEO DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wl3torV5BdE>
2. Louis Zamperini was a World War II veteran and the subject of the book *Unbroken*. After the war, he was plagued with nightmares and emotional aftereffects of the war. Watch this video (3 minutes and 25 seconds) and explain what changed him.  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GBrvBOQ\\_Jt0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GBrvBOQ_Jt0)
3. The link below leads to a 34-minute video. Start at the 10 minute mark and stop at 13 minutes. What helped World War II soldiers get through difficult times?  
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