

STUDY GUIDE

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VERBOTEN

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1. What does the word "verboden" mean?
2. Where was Victoria Zieba born?
3. According to Zieba, when did the peaceful life change in her country?
4. As a young girl, where was she taken by the Germans?
5. What happened to her brother, Waclau?
6. In what small way was Zieba able to practice her Catholic faith?
7. What happened to her mother?
8. What was Zieba forced to wear as identification?

EDUCATION

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1. What is a symposium? Look it up in the dictionary.
2. What was the subject of this symposium and where was it held?
3. What is the current U.S. unemployment rate?
4. What specific minorities will soon make up half of those seeking jobs?
5. What does "polarize" mean? Look it up in the dictionary.
6. In a polarizing fashion, what two types of jobs are we moving to in this country?
7. How is education even more important today?
8. What do people seeking a job as a sanitation worker in New York need to qualify?

STATUE

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1. What happened on August 9, 1945?
2. Find this city on a map or globe?
3. What is Archbishop Joseph Mitsuki Takami calling on world leaders to do today?
4. Why is this so personal for the archbishop?
5. Why are nuclear weapons considered evil?
6. In Archbishop Takami's words, what does the scorched statue of Mary remind us?

POWER

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1. What does it mean to forgive? Discuss.
2. According to research, what are some of the benefits of being able to forgive?
3. What do studies tell us happens to the brain when we forgive? To the heart?
4. Why is sometimes so hard for us to forgive?
5. Who gets hurt the most when we are unable to forgive others?
6. Read carefully Matthew 6:9-15. What important thing is Jesus telling us about forgiveness?
7. What is the difference between forgiveness and reconciliation?
8. How does the sacrament of penance speak to both forgiveness and reconciliation?