



Language Arts 9
My Mother's Secret
Part IV: Vilheim
Chapters 48- 51 Questions

Answer the following questions after reading Chapters 48-51 in the novel *My Mother's Secret*. Be sure to notice the point value for each question so that you know how much detail to include in each of your answers.

Chapter 48

1. "At the end of the day" how does Vilheim make sure he does not forget who he is? (3 points)
2. What are some things, that without realizing it, Vilheim's Oma trained him to do to survive day-to-day in the army? (2 points)
3. Who do you think are the friend, the friend's girlfriend and the mother mentioned near the end of this chapter? (3 points)
4. How do Franciska and Vilheim become kindred spirits? (2 points)

Chapter 49

1. What does Vilheim ask Franciszka to do in Chapter 49? How does she respond? (2 points)
2. How big is the attic? (1 point)

Chapter 50

1. What are some ways that Vilheim tries to stay fit in the attic? (3 points)
2. Explain the quote: "I think this is how a caged animal must feel." (2 points)
3. What does being caught mean? (1 point)
4. What sweet thing does Franciszka do for Vilheim, but not too much, why? (2 points)
5. What is the "secret to surviving"? (1 point)

Chapter 51

1. Why do the Germans think a Pole would not help them? (2 points)
2. How does Vilheim define courageous? Do you agree or disagree, explain? (4 points)