

***The Hate List* (A Novel by Jennifer Brown)**

Quiz 1

1. In what year does the tragedy at Garvin High School take place?

2. What type of media format introduces the first chapter of the novel?

3. What is the significance of the medal the school gives to Valerie?

4. For what three reasons is Valerie reluctant to return to school?

5. What is the purpose and meaning of the clear or black tear drop shapes that separate sections within chapters?

6. What does the term “interferences” mean, as Dr. Hieler explained it to Valerie?

- _____ 7. On page 33, the quotation, “Like right now the day was the warmest it was going to get”, is an example of
- A. Foreshadowing
 - B. Metaphor
 - C. Alliteration
 - D. Irony

8. What is the “Hate List”?

- _____ 9. On page 41, Stacey and Duce establish that they are
- A. Excited to see Valerie back at school
 - B. Upset about Nick’s death
 - C. Not interested in being Valerie’s friends anymore
 - D. Interested in helping Valerie return to a normal life

- _____ 10. Valerie’s mood when entering the Commons for the first time since the shooting incident is best described as
- A. Calm and relaxed
 - B. Fearful and panicked
 - C. Anxious and haunted
 - D. Happy and indifferent

- _____ 11. Valerie’s reaction to Christy Bruter’s breaking her Mp3 player is an example of
- A. Irony and hyperbole
 - B. Metaphor and alliteration
 - C. Simile and personification
 - D. None of the above

_____ 12. The quotation, “She looked at me like I was a plague set free in her classroom” (page 67), is an example of

- A. Metaphor
- B. Personification
- C. Simile
- D. Irony

13. Explain the significance of the ironic situation Valerie is in on page 73.

Quiz 2

1. What reasons does Valerie have for wanting to go back to Garvin High?

2. For what two reasons is Jessica Campbell initially significant to Valerie in Chapter 5?

_____ 3. What reasoning prompted Valerie's parents to stay together after the incident?

- A. They loved each other very much and they have a happy family.
- B. They are afraid of fracturing the family in a time of stress.
- C. Valerie has new health bills.
- D. All of the above

4. Define "institutional", using context clues on page 127.

5. Which grade does Valerie pinpoint as the one in which she started feeling like an outsider in school?

6. Explain the foreshadowing of the Hamlet quotation on page 137 and why this quotation is significant to the incident at the beginning of the novel.

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Quiz 1 Key

1. 2008
2. Newspaper article
3. *They feel she is guilty of conspiring with the shooter. She feels like she is guilty too, and the medal only reminds her of this.*
4. *She feels enormously guilty; she is mourning Nick; she is fearful of how others will treat her.*
5. *The clear teardrops represent a “flashback” to the time before and leading up to the shooting. The “white” hints at this time being one of normalcy and innocence. The black tear drops show the reader they are reading part of the story taking place in the present life of the narrator in the aftermath of the shooting. The black symbolizes a time of grief, sadness and struggle.*
6. *On page 30, Valerie’s explanation of “interferences” is as follows: “people do it all the time—assume they “know” what’s going on in someone else’s head. That’s impossible. And to think it’s possible is a mistake. A really big mistake.”*
7. A
8. *This is a book in which Valerie and Nick recorded ideas and names of people who annoyed or frustrated them, caused them anger, or treated them badly. This book led the authorities to believe that Nick picked his targets prior to the shooting and that Valerie may have been his accomplice.*
9. C
10. B
11. A
12. C
13. *She is surrounded by conflicts and fighting for which she is partially responsible yet no one is paying attention to her at all.*

Quiz 2

1. *Valerie wants to push Stacey away, go back to Garvin High, and prove that she has no reason to hide.*
2. *Jessica is regarded as the coolest girl in school but she is very mean girl to Nick and Valerie. Valerie was shot while trying to save Jessica's life during the shooting. When she returns to school, Valerie doesn't know how to feel about Jessica, who is nice to her, whereas her own friends are not.*
3. *C*
4. *Cold, sterile, professional, and indifferent*
5. *Valerie started feeling like an outsider in Grade 6.*
6. *Contact your teacher for the answer to this question.*