1. What did Hans and Sophie Scholl’s father believe about Hitler and the Nazis? How did his beliefs probably influence his children?
2. Why was open dissent impossible in Nazi Germany?
3. In 1942 Hans and Sophie Scholl secretly published a leaflet called “The White Rose.” What was the leaflet’s message? (In other words, what was the leaflet about?)
4. How did the Scholls publish and distribute the leaflets?
5. How were Hans and Sophie Scholl finally caught?
6. Remember that Hans and Sophie Scholl were allowed to meet with their parents one last time before they were executed. Describe how they handled that meeting with their parents. What does this reveal about their characters?
7. What happened to people who helped Hans and Sophie Scholl publish their leaflets?
8. What does this reveal about human nature?

**pamphlets (81):** short, unbound publications

**abominable (81):**horrible

**tyrant (81**): a ruler who has total control and power, often considered cruel

**treason (81):** the crime of helping your country’s enemies or trying to harm your country

**impending (81):** happening soon

**violated (81):** broke a law

**regulations (81):** rules

**dissent (81):** strong disagreement

**scourge (82):** something that causes a lot of trouble or harm

**regime (82):** a government in power

**anonymous (82)**: unknown name or identity

**tyranny (82):** [cruel](http://www.macmillandictionary.com/search/american/direct/?q=cruel) [and](http://www.macmillandictionary.com/search/american/direct/?q=and) [unfair](http://www.macmillandictionary.com/search/american/direct/?q=unfair) [treatment](http://www.macmillandictionary.com/search/american/direct/?q=treatment) [by](http://www.macmillandictionary.com/search/american/direct/?q=by) [someone](http://www.macmillandictionary.com/search/american/direct/?q=someone) [in](http://www.macmillandictionary.com/search/american/direct/?q=in) [a](http://www.macmillandictionary.com/search/american/direct/?q=a) [position](http://www.macmillandictionary.com/search/american/direct/?q=position) [of](http://www.macmillandictionary.com/search/american/direct/?q=of) [power](http://www.macmillandictionary.com/search/american/direct/?q=power)

**internal(82):** inside (in this case it means coming from inside Germany)

**duplicating (83)**: copying

**perpetrator (83):** the person who commits a crime

**disclosed (83):** revealed

**indicted (83):** formally accused of a crime

**denunciation (83):** very strong public criticism

**prosecutor (83):** the lawyer whose job it is to prove someone is guilty

**implausible (83):** difficult to accept as true

**melodrama (83):** a situation in which people’s behavior is too emotional or serious

**eternal (83):** forever

**irredeemable (83):** impossible to change or make better

**heretic (83):** someone who does or believes things that oppose the official principles of a religion

**traitor (83):** someone who has committed treason; someone who is not loyal to his/her friends, family or country

**defendants (84):** someone who has been accused of a crime and is on trial.

**affection (84):** a feeling or liking and caring about someone

**relentless (85):** never seems to stop or let up.

**Reverting (85):** going back to the way something was

**Barbarism (85):** extremely violent and cruel behavior