

The Book Thief

The following notes (items 1-6) will help you complete the table:

Context of the story: Setting	
Broader message of the novel	
Basic ideas conveyed/Themes	
Liesel	
Max	
The book burning scene	

1. He takes refuge from the Nazi regime in the Hubermanns' basement.
2. She helps her foster family hide a Jew from the Nazis and deals with the hardships of war-time Germany.
3. The power of words and literature as opposed to the brutality of war.
4. It is set in Nazi Germany in 1938, one year before WWII started and right after the persecutions of Jews started.
5. While at a Nazi book burning ceremony, Liesel and Rudy are harassed into throwing books onto the bonfire by Franz. When everyone leaves, Liesel grabs a book that has not been burned...
6. The Power of words - The kindness and cruelty of humans - Love - Mortality - The oppression of the Nazi regime.

