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Night is a memoir by Elie Wiesel who is a Holocaust survivor. The memoir focuses on Elie Wiesel's harrowing experiences he had to face during the Holocaust, where it also focuses on his survival in the Auschwitz and Buchenwald concentration camps. Other notable characters besides Elie are Shlomo Wiesel, Moshe the Beadle, Mrs Schachter, and Dr. Josef Mengele. Shlomo Wiesel is Elie Wiesel's father, who was a respected figure in the Jewish community of Sighet. The relationship between him and his son becomes a big part of the book, when they go to the concentration camps and have to spend time there. Moishe the Beadle is a Jewish man from Sighet, who is deported before the rest of the Sighet community. However, he manages to escape and returns to warn the Sighet's community about what the Nazis are doing. Mrs. Schachter is one of the other people on the train to Auschwitz with Elie and had visions about there being a fire, where she repeatedly screamed about it. Her visions later on become true. Additionally, Dr. Josef Mengele is a famous Nazi doctor who decides at the Auschwitz concentration camp on what to do with incoming prisoners.

I thought that the memoir was very emotional. I liked how Elie and his father, Shlomo kept supporting each other during the troubling and brutal times they both went through. One part of the memoir that surprised me was when a woman on the train named Mrs. Schachter had visions about there being a fire. Later on in the story, the visions shockingly become true.

I would recommend this book to anyone who wants to learn about what the Holocaust was like. This book reminds me of another book called "*The Diary of a Young Girl*," which was written by Anne Frank.