

## Worksheet 7 – Julia

### Review: Lecture 6: Winston

What affliction does Winston suffer from in his leg?

### Recall: Lecture 7: Julia

**Answer these questions after watching the video lecture to check how much you remember.**

1. In the lecture Dr Waddell mentions that Julia is in the Anti-Sex League; how does Winston know this?
  - a) She wears a blue badge
  - b) She wears an orange tie
  - c) She wears a red sash
  - d) She wears a pink scarf
2. What animal is Julia frequently compared to?
  - a) A horse
  - b) A cat
  - c) A wolf
  - d) A fox
3. Which novel by Orwell contains a character called Dorothy Hare?
  - a) Coming Up For Air
  - b) A Clergyman's Daughter
  - c) Down and Out in Paris and London
  - d) Burmese Days
4. Which of these is NOT a reason why Julia may be a member of the Thought Police?
  - a) She has access to things on the black market
  - b) She isn't trembling when the Thought Police arrive
  - c) She has no interest in Goldstein's book
  - d) She knows who Winston is

### Analysis

5. In the lecture, Dr Waddell uses the following ten adjectives to describe Julia. Find a quotation from the novel that demonstrates each adjective; look up the definition for any that you are unsure about.

*e.g. Perceptive → "I'm good at spotting people who don't belong."*

1. Promiscuous
2. Greedy
3. Confident
4. Competent
5. Animalistic
6. Insubstantial
7. Flighty
8. Elusive
9. Mysterious
10. Self-possessed

### Evaluation

6. American author Daphne Patai wrote that "the women in 1984 appear by and large as caricatures." Do you think this is true of Julia? Why / why not? Make sure to support your answer with quotations from the text.

7. According to historian Deidre Beddoe, Orwell “was not only anti-feminist”, but “polarized human beings according to sex roles and gender identity and legitimized male displays of dominance and aggression.” Author Christopher Hitchens also argued that “every one of the female characters is devoid of any intellectual or reflective capacity”, agreeing with Beddoe that “Julia is completely incapable of understanding the motives which drive Winston to revolt.” Do you agree with Beddoe and Hitchens? Why / why not? Make sure to support your answer with quotations from the text.

### Glossary

- **Thoroughbred** – A pure-bred horse, normally used for racing.  
*e.g. Some riders will only buy thoroughbred horses.*
- **Elusive** – Difficult to find, catch, achieve or remember; a synonym for evasive or slippery.  
*e.g. The goal of running a 10k in under 50 minutes seemed even more elusive to him after his injury.*
- **Omnipresent** – Seemingly everywhere at the same time.  
*e.g. God is often described as being omnipresent.*
- **Evade** – A synonym for escape or avoid.  
*e.g. He somehow managed to evade capture.*
- **Brutalised** – Treated in a savage, violent or cruel way.  
*e.g. Julia was brutalised under torture.*
- **Malign** – Evil in nature.  
*e.g. Big Brother is a malign presence.*