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## SCHINDLER'S LIST

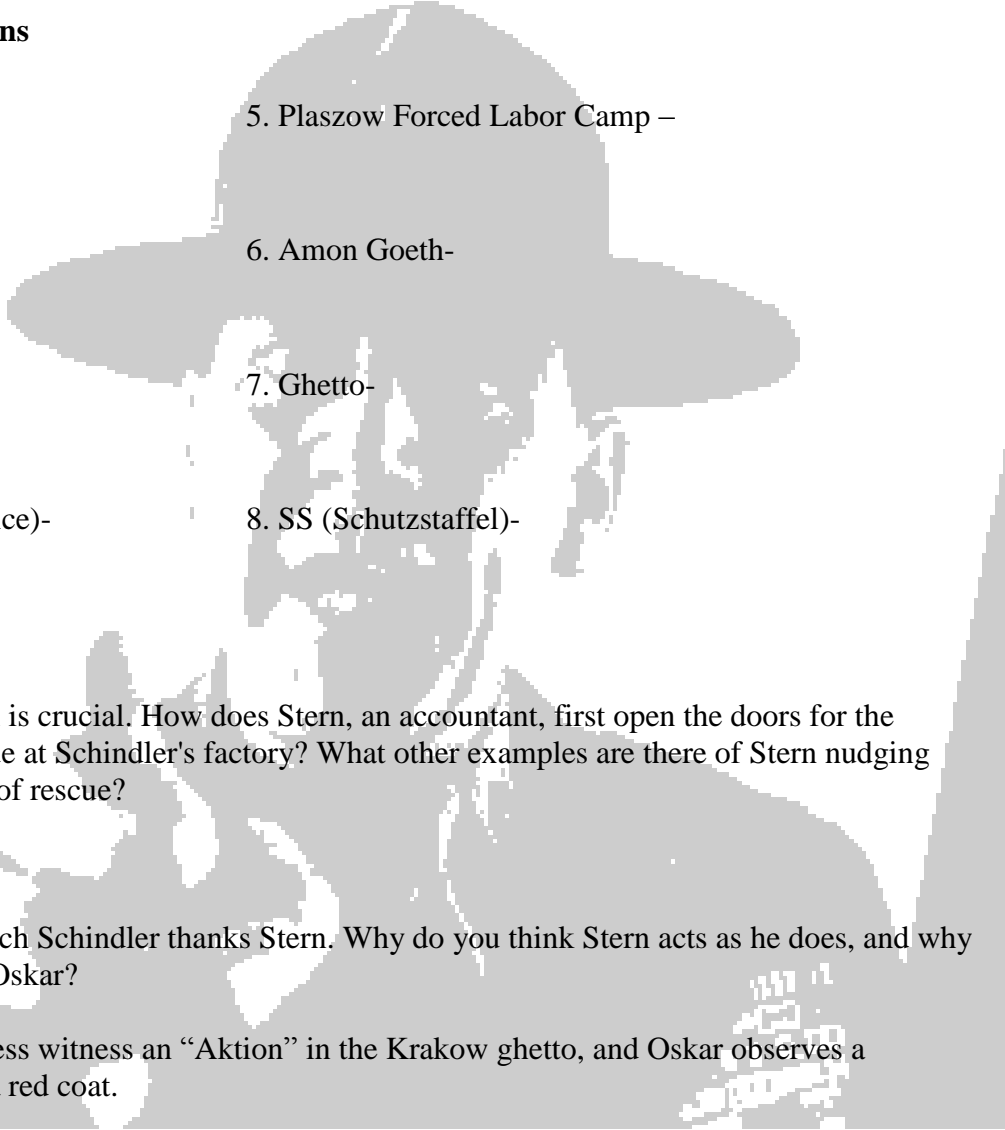
### *Vocabulary and Discussion*

**Vocabulary/Identifications:** Define the listed terms and/or describe how or why they are significant to the film. You may have to use outside sources, but all are in the film if you pay attention.

**Discussion Questions: On a separate sheet,** write at least a paragraph to explain the requested information, in your opinion. Focus on why each element is important.

### **Part I -The War begins**

#### **Vocabulary/Identifications**

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1. Krakow-
  2. Judenrat-
  3. Oskar Schindler-
  4. OD (Jewish Ghetto Police)-
  5. Plaszow Forced Labor Camp –
  6. Amon Goeth-
  7. Ghetto-
  8. SS (Schutzstaffel)-

#### **Discussion**

1. The role of Itzhak Stern is crucial. How does Stern, an accountant, first open the doors for the possibility of Jewish rescue at Schindler's factory? What other examples are there of Stern nudging Schindler in the direction of rescue?
2. Explain the toast in which Schindler thanks Stern. Why do you think Stern acts as he does, and why does he never drink with Oskar?
3. Schindler and his mistress witness an "Aktion" in the Krakow ghetto, and Oskar observes a wandering Jewish girl in a red coat.
  - a. What is the significance of this "girl in red"? b. What does she represent or symbolize?
  - c. This is one of the four occasions in the film when color is used. Why do you think color is used? What statement does this make?

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## Part II *The Rescue*

### Vocabulary/Identifications

1. D.E.F.-
2. Itzhak Stern-
3. Race and Resettlement Act-
4. Auschwitz-
5. The Final Solution-
6. Sabbath –
7. Krakow Ghetto Massacre-
8. exhume-
9. Zwittau Brinnlitz, Czechoslovakia-
10. Zyklon B-

### Discussion

1. **Why do you think he did it?** It is obvious that Schindler risked his life to save the Jews. Did he do it out of empathy, impulse, self-interest, influence? What things did Oskar see that helped him understand the horror of the situation? Give specific examples of his benevolence. Was Oskar dedicated from the beginning, pushed by Stern, or only when he received the ring was he sure he had done the right thing? Did Oskar ever really realize how much he had done?

