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You should answer ONE of the essay questions in this booklet.

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You should aim to write a concise essay of no more than 1000 words. Your analysis is more important than the length of your essay.

Support the points you make with specific details from the text.

Begin your written text(s) essay here:

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Some people like Jews, and some do not, but no thoughtful man can deny the Jews are one of the most fierce and remarkable races to of ever lived - Winston Churchill. In the novel Max by author Sarah Cohen-Scali, the characters of Max and Lukas, from very different backgrounds are used to increase the readers understanding of the setting of Nazi Germany in World War Two by providing both perspectives of the ideologies of Nazism and Judaism.

The novel 'Max' is set from ~~just~~ before the Second World War to its end, and showcases a setting of Germany filled with hate, racism and a belief of superiority over other races. This leads to not only a setting of Anti-semitism^{with a group} (A semite is a Jew, therefore to be anti semitic means to be anti Jewish) but also the Lebensborn program, a eugenics project that relies on artificial selection to breed only Germans with 'Aryan' attributes together to produce offspring with Aryan features. This program is very morally ambiguous, and together with Max^{is a product of the program}, the reader is led to understand this^{sub-} setting of Nazi Germany's evils, and then how this also contributes to the atrocities of Anti-Semitism when he meets Lukas, a Jew who has escaped from the Warsaw ghetto and helps ~~the~~ ^{and the reader} him understand just what the Nazis are doing to the Jewish people, and the danger of subscribing to hateful ideologies such as Anti-Semitism.

once again proving to us there was something very wrong with Nazism. Lukas originally lived in Warsaw, but soon had to go into hiding to escape the fate of his family, who were sent to the Ghetto. He had rode the streetcars through the ghetto to occasionally catch glimpses of what was going on and see his family. "All those people, filthy, in rags, dying of hunger" "Bodies laying in the gutter, rats swarming over them." He helps the reader understand, in conjunction with Max how the setting is so evil when we compare the perspective of the perpetrators with the perspective of the Jewish victims, who were effectively being imprisoned, starved, killed for no reason. Lukas also helps the reader to understand the setting of Nazi Germany better when he is found by the Nazis, who unaware he is Jewish, and admiring his 'Aryan' features send him to be 'Germanised' at the same camp as Max. This exposes the hypocrisy of the Nazi regime for the same reason Max gives us for his tokenism before, the traits of a Jew they teach directly clashes with the real appearance of one right under their noses. This leads the reader to understand how wrong Nazi fundamental beliefs are and therefore the authors purpose of helping us to understand that we should not subscribe to hateful beliefs. We can see throughout the book the characters of both Lukas and Max are helping us to understand the setting of Nazi Germany filled with such beliefs is not only wrong, but also showing us just how bad people can be when they have these beliefs shows us that the disadvantages of holding hateful beliefs always outweigh the advantages, so we should try and judge by people not groups. This could be a commentary on the current issue of Islamophobia where worldwide, much the same fear is held of Muslims or the Jews in this setting and the author is showing us the danger of subscribing to this viewpoint.

In conclusion, the novel 'Max' by author Sarah Cohen-Scalet uses the characters Max and Lukas to understand the setting of Nazi Germany and warn us of the dangers of repeating the mistakes made by the people in this setting. As the sign on the site of Oadour-sur-glane, a village mass murdered by the SS in France says: "Never again."

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7	M6	Max <ul style="list-style-type: none">• well structured• clear line of argument• unpacking ideas and evidence• author's purpose• solid understanding• thought provoking• solid conclusion			