UCTCR Discussion Questions for Video 5-1 ~ 5-4

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Please answer the following questions before the lecture to prepare for the class discussions.

1) Johannes “Jojo” Betzler belongs to Hitler Youth, which was the youth organization for the Nazi Party. Did you belong to any clubs or organizations when you were young? Why did you join that organization?

I wanted to play soccer, so I joined a soccer club in my freshman year of college.

2) Jojo’s imaginary friend is Adolf Hitler. The portrayal of Hitler by the director in the movie is very different from those seen in history textbooks.

List at least two similarities and two differences between the movie’s portrayal of Hitler and his portrayal in history books.

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| Similarities | Differences |
| 1. Führer of Nazi Germany.  2. committed suicide. | 1. Hitler in the movie is JoJo's imaginary character.  2. In the film, Hitler reflected Jojo's consciousness. |

3) Jojo is shocked to discover that his mother had been hiding a Jewish girl in their home. Have you ever discovered a secret your parents were keeping from you (e.g. Santa is not real), and how did the discovery make you feel?

There seems to be none.

4) Jojo’s imaginary friend is Adolf Hitler. Hitler helps Jojo process information and is the source of his inner dialogue. Did you have an imaginary friend when you were young? Do you think having an imaginary friend is healthy?

There seems to be none. And if you can't distinguish it from reality, you shouldn't.

5) Through the course of the movie, Jojo’s understanding of the world changes drastically as he realizes his views about the Jews and Nazis were inaccurate.

a) Has your understanding of the world changed as you matured?

yes. Even the smallest thing became careful.

b) What is something that you believed in as a child, but no longer do as an adult?

is a person. The reason is that if I trust people unreasonably, I will get hurt.

c) Who was the most influential in changing your view of the world?

I think the influence of my acquaintances is the biggest.