Part 2

* ~~Introduce Adolf~~
  + ~~Diary entry~~
* ~~First conflict~~
  + ~~Rat in no-man’s-land is killed~~
    - ~~Boys call him rat-faced Jew~~
  + ~~Bullied in the mess~~
    - ~~Told to eat food out of the mud like a rat~~
* ~~Sentry duty~~
  + ~~Makes rounds, sight-sees~~
    - ~~Use this to hammer home sensory details~~
  + ~~Visits his nest of rats~~
* ~~Second conflict~~
  + ~~Hans—the boy from earlier—finds Adolf tending to his rats~~
  + ~~Threatens Adolf to tell him which is his favorite rat~~
    - ~~Refuses~~
    - ~~Says he’ll kill them all if he doesn’t~~
  + ~~Adolf relents and tells him~~
  + ~~He kills them all anyway~~
  + ~~Adolf cries himself to sleep as the night shelling from part one commences~~
* ~~Christmas Eve~~
  + ~~Adolf ordered to launch gas into enemy trenches~~
    - ~~Refuses~~
    - ~~Told to do so or be court-martialed~~
    - ~~Relents again~~
    - ~~Other boys are hesitant to do it since it’s Christmas Eve~~
  + ~~Shells go flying~~
    - ~~In the aftermath, the boys plot to have an informal truce on Christmas to punish their COs~~

Part 3

* ~~English side (first-person close)~~
  + ~~Kenneth is reeling from the death of Henry~~
    - ~~Is wearing the blood-stained crucifix~~
    - ~~Henry’s friends try to convince Kenneth that Henry wouldn’t want him to mourn like this~~
  + ~~Everyone goes to Mass~~
    - ~~Priest mentions how Christmas is a time for forgiving and forgiveness is the ultimate present~~
  + ~~An idea gets passed around that a truce should be held~~
    - ~~Kenneth wants revenge~~
  + ~~They lay down their arms and go to no-man’s-land~~
    - ~~Kenneth doesn’t bring his rifle but hides a combat knife in his puttee~~
  + ~~Kenneth sees Adolf~~
* ~~German side (first-person close)~~
  + ~~Drinks are passed around~~
  + ~~Even though it’s early in the morning, many of the soldiers are drunk~~
  + ~~COs tell them to sober up and do their duties~~
    - ~~Ignore them~~
  + ~~Adolf suggests playing football in no-man’s-land~~
    - ~~They’re drunk, so they agree~~
  + ~~Lay down their arms and go into no-man’s-land~~
  + ~~Adolf sees Kenneth~~
* ~~Crescendo (third-person omniscient, told by God)~~
  + ~~Soldiers on each side see each other and meet halfway through no-man’s-land.~~
  + ~~Adolf is holding a football and tossing it between his hands~~
  + ~~Kenneth holds the knife behind his back~~
  + ~~They meet~~
    - ~~Small talk~~
    - ~~Adolf senses something wrong~~
      * ~~Asks what~~
    - ~~Kenneth admits the truth~~
      * ~~Pulls out knife~~
    - ~~Adolf tries to convince Kenneth it’s not his fault~~
    - ~~Kenneth doesn’t believe it~~
    - ~~Adolf says that each side is innocent in the war; the criminals are the generals~~
    - ~~Kenneth attacks Adolf~~
      * ~~Has knife against his heart, is about to stab him~~
    - ~~Adolf sees the crucifix~~
      * ~~Asks about it~~
    - ~~Kenneth says he got it from his friend who was killed~~
    - ~~Adolf says guilt will kill Kenneth faster than a shelling~~
      * ~~Goes to stab him~~
    - ~~Adolf says forgiveness is the ultimate gift~~
      * ~~What would Jesus do~~
    - ~~Kenneth stops~~
    - ~~Adolf says that he’s hated for being a Jew, but he forgives his comrades because they don’t know better~~
    - ~~Adolf’s best friend was killed too, but he forgives because it’s what his friend wants~~
    - ~~Adolf says that Henry would want Kenneth to forgive the Germans~~
  + ~~They get up~~
  + ~~Go play football with the others~~

Fin.