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**Rudolf Abel** 

4. When James Donovan sits down to dinner with his family and tells them about the Rudolf Abel case they compare Abel to the Rosenberg's. Why does Donovan insist that Rudolf Abel is not a traitor like the Rosenberg's? Who are the Rosenberg's?



**James Donovan** 

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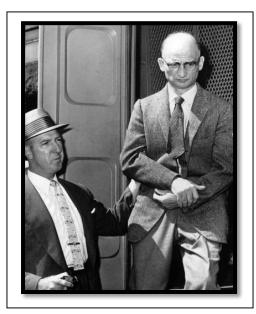


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- 10. How does the Judge respond to James Donovan's request to delay the Trial?
- 11. Who is following James Donovan in the rain? Why?
- 12. How does Donovan respond?
- 13. When the pilots are shown the U-2 at Peshawar air Station in Pakistan how are they told to refer to the plane in the future?
- 14. With an 80 foot wing span and a max speed of 430 MPH, what is the cruising altitude of the airplane?
- 15. With a 4500 millimeter lens X3, the camera on board the Article is 4X's more powerful than any other reconnaissance camera ever used. At 70,000 how many square miles of territory and be photographed with one pass?
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During August of 1957, the U.S. government began its criminal proceedings against Rudolf Abel. In this image, Abel steps out of a patrol vehicle, transporting him from his place of confinement to the federal court house in Brooklyn. Image online via NPR





Francis Gary Powers

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- 23. How does Judge Mortimer Byers rule in the sentencing?
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- 25. Should it become necessary to abandon the aircraft over Soviet territory what instructions are the pilots given?
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32. What is happening in Berlin during this period? If Soviet Checkpoints continue to be unsuccessful in preventing continued hemorrhaging to the West side what might the Soviets build to prevent it?

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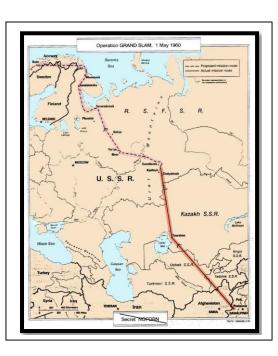
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36. Explain the dialogue between the Soviet representative and Mr. Donovan at the Soviet Embassy.

Soviet photograph of Powers

- 37. In the movie how is the Soviet treatment of Powers in prison portrayed?
- 38. When Mr. Donovan is riding in Mr. Vogel's car what happens?

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#### A fake nickel with a coded note inside

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- 3. At the start of the movie James Donovan is an insurance attorney who is asked to defend Rudolf Abel. Why is it important Rudolf be seen as getting a fair trial? American Justice will be on trial



**Rudolf Abel** 

4. When James Donovan sits down to dinner with his family and tells them about the Rudolf Abel case they compare Abel to the Rosenberg's. Why does Donovan insist that Rudolf Abel is not a traitor like the Rosenberg's? Who are the Rosenberg's? Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were U.S. citizens who sold atomic secrets to the



Soviet Union betraying their country. Rudolf is a Soviet citizen so he is not betraying his country.5. Rudolf Abel has three official charges against him. 1) Conspiracy to

transmit United States defensive atomic secrets to the Soviet Union 2) Conspiracy to gather secrets and ... what is the third charge? Failing to register as a foreign agent.

6. When Abel is arrested and interrogated is he beaten? No

7. What does the U.S. government offer Rudolf Abel if he cooperates with them? Money and a job

**James Donovan** 

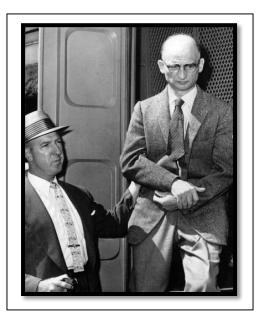


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- 10. How does the Judge respond to James Donovan's request to delay the Trial? Not favorably it is denied and the Judge expresses his hope for a conviction.
- 11. Who is following James Donovan in the rain? Why? C.I.A. agent Hoffman wants Donovan to violate Attorney client privilege and inform the C.I.A. regarding Abel.
- 12. How does Donovan respond? Donovan will follow the constitution and not violate Attorney client privilege.
- 13. When the pilots are shown the U-2 at Peshawar air Station in Pakistan how are they told to refer to the plane in the future? The Article.
- 14. With an 80 foot wing span and a max speed of 430 MPH, what is the cruising altitude of the airplane? 70,000 ft.
- 15. With a 4500 millimeter lens X3, the camera on board the Article is 4X's more powerful than any other reconnaissance camera ever used. At 70,000 how many square miles of territory and be photographed with one pass? 2000 square miles
- 16. Why does James Donovan file a motion disputing the evidence gathered against Rudolf Abel? How does the court rule on this motion? The evidence against Abel was gathered without a search warrant. The court denied the motion.
- 17. How were children in the 1950's informed in school about the atomic bomb? Survival techniques and Duck and cover
- 18. How do people on the train respond to James Donovan when they realize he is defending Rudolf Abel? Disapproval and condemning looks
- 19. How does the Jury rule on the three counts against Rudolf Abel? Guilty on all three counts
- 20. Why does Rudolf Abel compare James Donovan to "The Standing Man"? He receives setbacks but continues to fight on.

During August of 1957, the U.S. government began its criminal proceedings against Rudolf Abel. In this image, Abel steps out of a patrol vehicle, transporting him from his place of confinement to the federal court house in Brooklyn. Image online via NPR





**Francis Gary Powers** 

21. Why does Donovan visit the Judge at his home? To talk to the Judge about the Sentencing

22. Why does Donovan believe it is in the United States best interest not to execute Rudolf Abel?

To have someone to trade if a spy from the United States finds themselves in a similar situation in the near future.

23. How does Judge Mortimer Byers rule in the sentencing? Imprisonment for 30 years

24. What happens to James Donovan's home shortly after the sentencing? Someone does a drive by shooting to intimidate Donovan and his family

- 25. Should it become necessary to abandon the aircraft over Soviet territory what instructions are the pilots given? 2.5 explosive charge in the fuselage destroy the plane
- 26. Why are the pilots given the silver dollar? It has a pin hidden inside it and if they scratch their skin with it they will die instantly. Spend the dollar
- 27. When Powers is shot down, is he able to push the self-destruct button in the plane? No



Soviet photograph

of Powers

28. How did the U.S. President attempt to explain the missing plane? A NASSA weather plane had disappeared

- 29. How did the Supreme Court rule in Rudolf Abel's Case? Against 5-4
- 30. What sentence does Francis Gary Powers receive from the Soviet Court? 10 years of confinement with first 3 years in prison

31. Who was John Foster Dulles? Why does the Government what James Donovan to negotiate the Trade? Secretary of State – Donovan is a private citizen not a government representative.

32. What is happening in Berlin during this period? If Soviet Checkpoints continue to be unsuccessful in preventing continued hemorrhaging to the West side what might the Soviets build to prevent it? A wall

33. Why does the American Graduate student from Yale Frederic Pryor cross over to East Germany? He is trying to help is girlfriend and her father cross the border to West Berlin

34. What happens to Mr. Donovan's Coat when he gets to East Berlin? A gang of boys steal it.

35. Who does Mr. Donovan meet at the Soviet Embassy? Rudolf Abel's family - wife, daughter and cousin

36. Explain the dialogue between the Soviet representative and Mr. Donovan at the Soviet Embassy. Mr. Donovan and the Soviet representative discuss the exchange of Powers for Abel. The meeting becomes tense as both men are deciding how to proceed.

- 37. In the movie how is the Soviet treatment of Powers in prison portrayed? Powers is treated poorly, Sleep deprived and interrogated constantly.
- 38. When Mr. Donovan is riding in Mr. Vogel's car what happens? Mr. Vogel drives to fast and because Mr. Donovan does not have the correct papers he is temporarily arrested and taken to jail.

- 39. Mr. Donovan returns to East Germany to negotiate with the German leader. When Mr. Donovan is asked to leave what message is given to the young aid? The deal is Abel for Powers and Pryor. No Abel if two men are not returned.
- 40. Glienicke Bridge is the spot for the prisoner exchange of Powers and Able. Where do the East Germans release Pryor?

## Checkpoint Charlie

- 41. Why is it possible that Abel will be shot by the Soviets? If they believe Abel has given secrets to the west.
- 42. Following his return to Russia what happened to Rudolf Abel? Reunited with his wife and daughter
- 43. What happened to Gary Powers in 1977? Died in a helicopter crash
- 44. Where is Frederic L. Pryor currently Professor Emeritus of Economics? Swarthmore College
- 45. What future President asked Mr. Donovan to undertake further negotiations on behalf of the United States? Kennedy – Cuba – 1,113 prisoners from the Bay of Pigs invasion

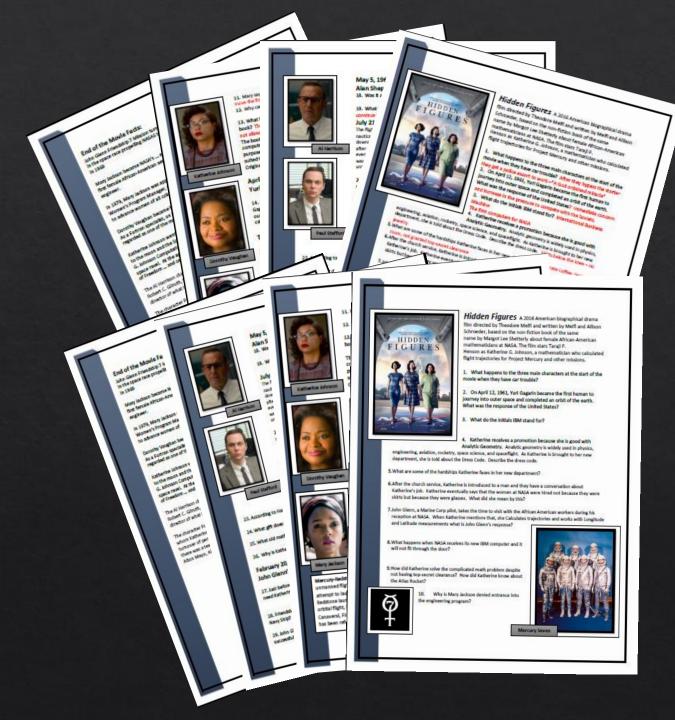






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3. Why is Desmond's father so upset about Desmond's brother signing up for military service?

6. What happened to Desmond's fathers friend during WWI?

- 7. Why does Desmond enlist as a medic?
- 8. What gift does Desmond receive from his finance as he is leaving for the military on the bus?

9. Why does Desmond refuse to pick up a rifle during training?

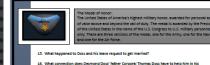
10. What is a C.O.? 11. Private Doss is introduced to the rest of his company by his sergeant as a C.O. How is he treated

after they find out?

Desmond is interviewed and given a psychological rev for a section 8 dismissal from the army. What is the result of this evaluation? 13. What happened after Doss was beaten up by the

embers of his company? What explanation does Doss give for his injuries?

14. Why do you think Doss does not "remember" the nar of the people who attacked him in his sleep?



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- did they commit suicid 18. What employment did Doss have prior to volunteering for Military Service? Would this job
- allowed Doss to avoid Military Service?





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25. As Desmond walks the battlefield he is chased by Japanese troops. Desmond poes into a tunnel

26. What Phrase does Desmond repeat over and over as he is helping the wounded soldiers

or survivors. How does Doss hide from the Japan

nd ends up where?



I3. America's highest award for courage under fire is the Medal of Honor. n what way was Desmond Doss the first to receive this? 34. According to Doss where are the real hero's?

21. At the top of the Ridge during the retreat Doss prays to God

asking for direction. "What is it you want of me?" I don't understand. I can't hear you." At that moment what does Doss

aken. Initially how many men came down from the Ridge

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the Medal of Honor, for service above and beyond the call of duty during

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s brother by hitting him in the head with a brick

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4. What happens when Desmond tries to kiss the nurse Dorothy Doss

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What happened to Desmond's fathers friend durine WWI? He was killed

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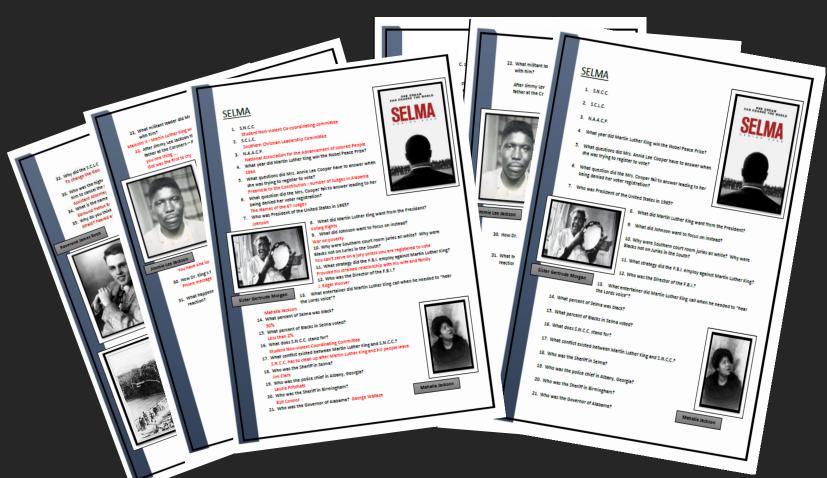
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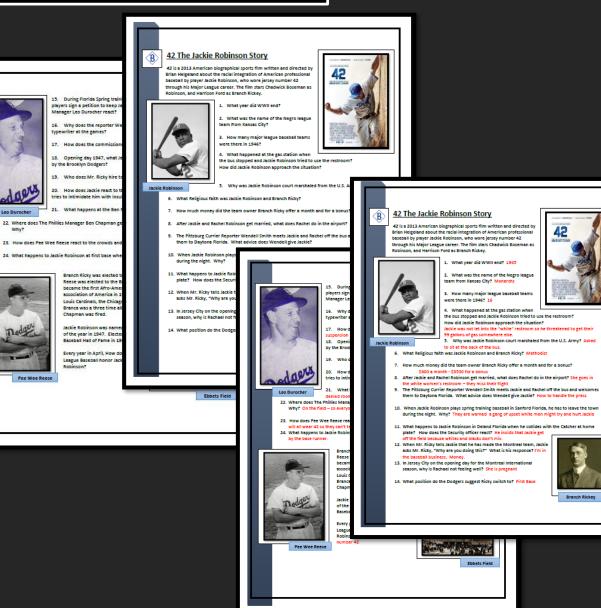
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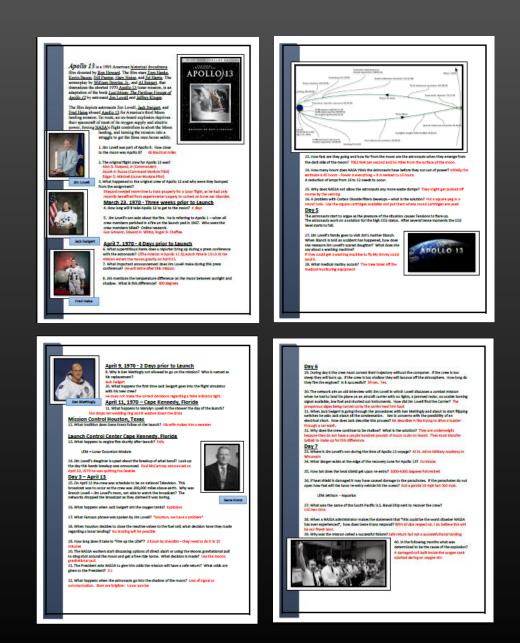


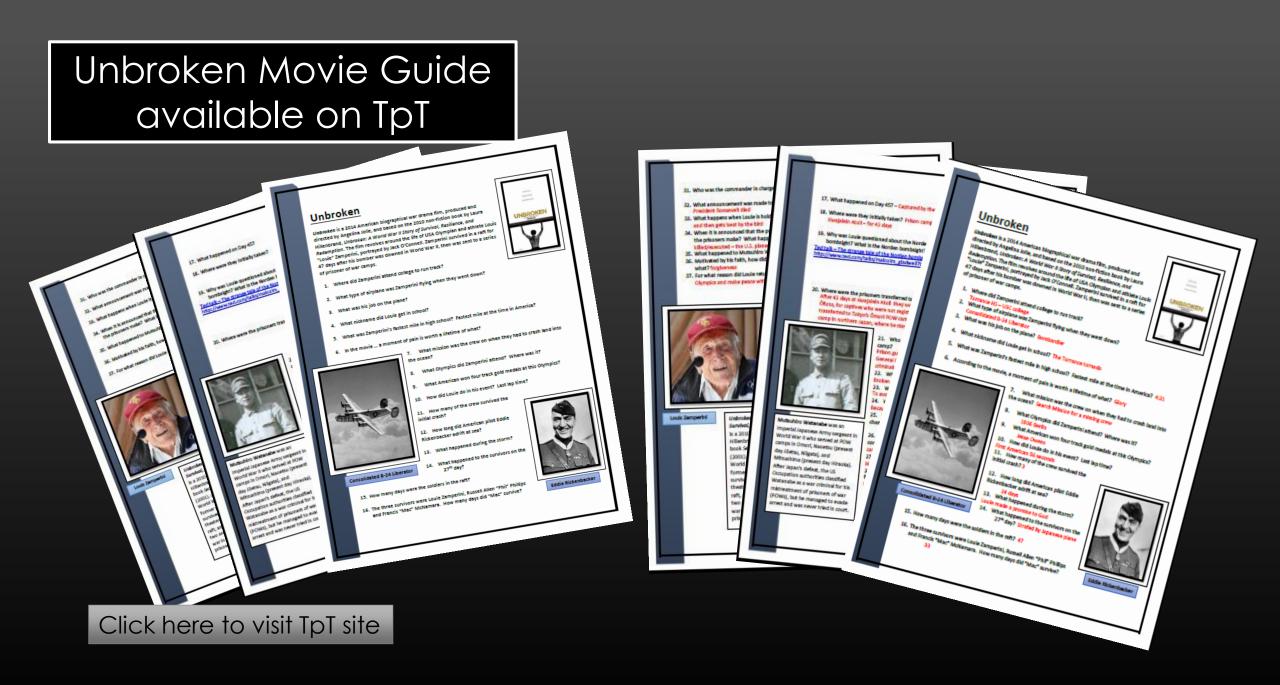


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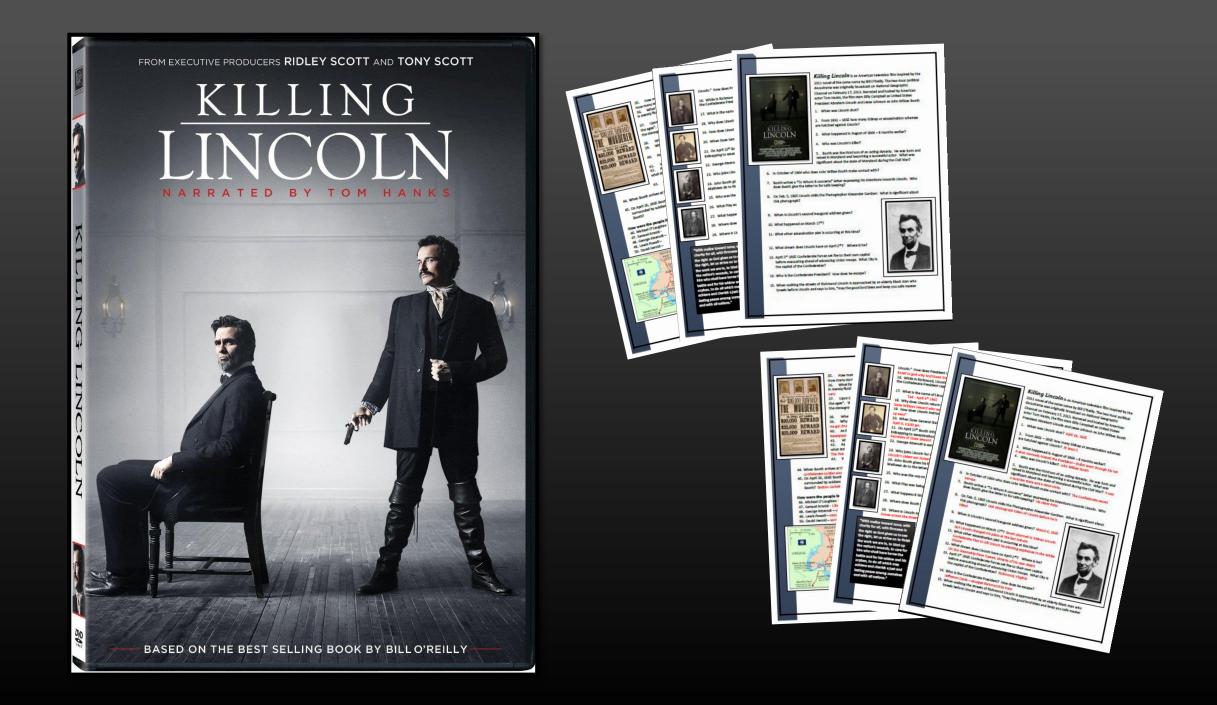


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