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11. When asked why prisoners were taken all the way to Siberia only to die, one Soviet guard responded, “We don’t need your death. We need your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
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