other words becoming corrupt, the more he loves her, showing how the Party has made him appreciate the trueness of things both bad and good and how much he despises fake things no matter how good they may seem.

“Syme has vanished. A morning came, and he was missing from work; a few thoughtless people commented on his absence. On the next day nobody mentioned him” (Orwell 147).

This quote demonstrated an act of the party that Winston often rewrote articles about, but never personally witnessed, until now. This excerpt tells about how Syme was finally taken away, because of him being too smart and intelligent of what he was doing. The quote tells about the extent of the Party’s control on a personal level and how by the second day Syme didn't come to work how people already stopped speaking of them. This is significant because Winston predicted this and knew that it would one day happen; the people conform and do exactly what the party wants them to do and how they do it.

Novel Group Discussion

A. By having a “shortage of water” and an abundance of “victory gin” the Party is allowed to more easily make the people conformist.
   - Civilians are brain washed.

B. •no disagreements

C. •why is there victory gin? It became clear when we realized that it was to make the people more easily persuaded.

D. •yes. How did it get this far?
   - why did the govt. trust the people to keep the secret of their duty for them?

E. •this “world” is sad, depressing, and has a mood of hopelessness.

F. • he is hopeless and has a negative mindset. He always expects the worst.