**1914-1918** Hans Hubermann serves in the German army during the Great War (WWI), and survives. He also meets Erik Vandenberg, his wife and son, and promises that he will offer them help if they ever need it.

**1935** The Nuremberg Laws are introduced forbidding Jews to intermarry or have citizenship. This eventually leads to Max losing his job at the Jedermann Engineering Factory.

**November 1938** Max goes into hiding in the warehouse in Stutgart with the help of his friend Walter.

**January 1939** Liesel steals her first book, *The Grave Digger’s Handbook* from the graveyard where her younger brother is buried.

**January 1939** Liesel meets Rosa and Hans Hubermann, her new parents.

**November 1939** Liesel becomes the Heavyweight Champion of the Schoolyard when she beats up Ludwig Schmeikl and Tommy Müller.

**December 1939** Liesel and Papa finish *The Gravedigger’s Handbook* and for Christmas, Liesel is given two more new books.

**January 1940** The first customer quits the washing, and Liesel begins collecting the washing by herself.

**February 1940** Liesel gets nothing for her birthday, and instead chooses to send letters to her mother by taking some of the washing money.

**April 1940** The book burning in Molcing, Germany takes place. Liesel steals *The Shoulder Shrug* from the ashes of the fire. Nobody sees her except the Mayor’s Wife.

**May 1940** Liesel finally goes to the Mayor’s house to collect the washing and is shown the mayor’s library by his wife. Liesel will read here every day that she collects laundry.

**July 1940** Liesel and Rudy join the gang which steals fruit and vegetables from outlying farms.

**November 1940** Max leaves Stuttgard and goes to Molching to go to the Hubermann’s to get help from Hans.

**February 1941** Liesel has her 12th birthday and receives another book from Mama and Papa. She also receives *The Standover Man* from Max, written on the painted-over pages of *Mein Kampf*.