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Exploring Chapters 1-4 of '1984': A Glimpse into a Dystopian World

Short Answer Key

1. Winston's job at the Ministry of Truth involves altering historical records to match the party's propaganda, thus manipulating the past to control the present and future.
2. Winston's dream about the countryside represents his longing for a world without oppression, a stark contrast to the reality of Airstrip One.
3. Winston and Julia's secret love affair is risky because it is a form of dissent against the party, which is punishable by death or reeducation. Their relationship challenges the regime's control by allowing them to experience love and rebellion.
4. The nursery rhyme about the proles sparks Winston's curiosity because it hints at a world beyond the party's control, where the proles may have more freedom and individuality.
5. Big Brother symbolizes the party's control and omnipresence. Citizens are made to believe that Big Brother is watching their every move, fostering fear and conformity.

