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Burning Questions Answer Key

Sample Responses:

- 1. In Montag's world, firemen **start fires** to destroy books instead of putting them out.
- 2. The "sieve and the sand" represents trying to hold onto knowledge. Montag recalls trying to fill a sieve with sand as a child, symbolizing his struggle to retain words.
- 3. Montag and Faber plan to copy books and plant them in firemen's houses to undermine the system.
- 4. Montag is ordered to burn his house himself. He feels a strange mix of anger, release, and rebellion.
- 5. Montag meets a group of **intellectual exiles** led by Granger, who preserve books by memorizing them.
- 6. The city is destroyed by bombs. Montag realizes books are not just objects but carry **ideas and wisdom** that must be remembered and shared.

