***A Long Way Gone* Unit Test Study Guide**

**Chapters 1 - 5**

1. What is the name of Ishmael’s hometown?
2. Why did Ishmael and his friends leave home to go to Mattru Jong at the very beginning?
3. What is the fate of Ishmael’s hometown in this chapter?
4. The RUF sends a messenger to Mattru Jong. What is shocking about this messenger?
5. One of the methods of mutilation the RUF used to intimidate civilians was called “one love” (Beah 21). This is an example of
6. What is the fate of Mattru Jong by the end of the chapter?
7. The scene where Ishmael and his friends attack a five year old boy for two ears of corn contributes to the tone of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the chapter.
8. What significant moment occurs in chapter 5?

**Chapters 6-10**

1. What main problem do Beah and his friends have with traveling in a group of six?
2. When the threat of rebel attack seems unlikely, what do the villagers of Kamator put the boys to work doing?
3. Why is the family at the river afraid of Beah?
4. What did the villagers take from the boys that turned out to be disastrous for them because of the heat?

**Chapters 10-15**

1. What significant event occurs in Chapter 10?
2. As the boys approach the village where Beah believes his family to be, they hear the sounds of the village. Then they meet Gasemu, who
3. At the beginning of the chapter 12, Ishmael
4. The soldiers at Yele “went to the front lines, few returned” (106). So the lieutenant
5. After the death of his friends, what significant change does Ishmael undergo?
6. What is Ishmael encouraged to do in order to become a Junior Lieutenant?
7. How long is Ishmael a child soldier?

**Chapters 16 - 21**

1. In chapter 16, what phrase does Esther keep saying that makes Beah angry?
2. In chapter 18, who does Beah meet for the first time?
3. When Beah leaves Benign House, who does he move in with?
4. In chapter 19, where does Allie and Ismael sneak out to
5. In chapter 20, where does Beah travel to give his speech at the children’s U.N. Parliament?
6. In chapter 21, who does Beah call to ask if he can move in?
7. In chapter 21, Beah suffers a final loss, what is it?
8. How does Beah end his story and why is it significant?

**Literary Terms to Know:** theme, thematic idea, metaphor, simile, personification, irony, internal and external conflict, tone, hyperbole, diction, foreshadowing