Mr. Valentine’s 12th Grade English – Bonus Lessons on *The Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy*

1. On pages 8 and 9, who has come to destroy Arthur Dent’s home, and why?

2. Who is Arthur Dent’s friend, and what’s strange about him?

3. Explain the absurdity in Ford’s argument to the construction crew on pages 17-20.

4. What is the Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy (the one inside this book), and why is it so popular?

5. What bad news does Ford have about the earth on page 26?

6. According to The Guide, what is the one most useful thing in the universe, that you must always have with you? Why? (Page 28)

7. Explain the absurdity of the bar tender’s suggestions on page 32. How does this relate to real-life absurdities?

8. On pages 34 through 36, who has come to destroy Arthur’s home, and why?

9. What are the parallels between the answers to questions 1 and 8?

10. How are the answers to 1 and 8 a parody of elements from real life?

11. How to Arthur and Ford escape Earth?

12. What is a Babel Fish?

13. At what are Vogons the third worst in the galaxy?