***Chapter 11: TOB Preparation for Discussion***

1. **This section represents Mate’s third and final journal. Describe the conditions in La Victoria.**
2. **Who are Minerva and Mate’s cellmates?**
3. **How would you describe Minerva and Mate’s initial responses to these “nonpoliticals”?**
4. **When do distinctions of class begin to appear?**
5. **How do the women try to make prison life bearable?**
6. **What are the sources of their greatest suffering?**
7. **How does prison life change Mate?**
8. **What new discoveries does she make about herself? About her relationships with those she thought she knew or those she thought she didn’t want to know?**
9. **Who or what offers her the greatest comfort at this point?**
10. **Does she question the importance of the activities that landed her and her loved ones in this mess? How far is she willing to go for the cause?**
11. **Consider Mate’s report to the OAS.  What does Minerva want her to do? What does Mate decide?**
12. **Describe the difference between Mate and Minerva’s views on the distinction between what is personal and what is principle.**