Why do we have to know the historical background in the novels?

Knowing the historical background of the novel will allow the reader to know how passionate the author was about writing the story, especially for a story like the “Night.” The author must have went through a lot to have the idea to write an autobiography about his experiences. Understanding the historical background will also allow the reader to understand that things are a lot different during that time than present time. If the reader doesn’t know about the background of the novel then they would be confused or lost on what they are reading and probably not have a bigger impact on them.