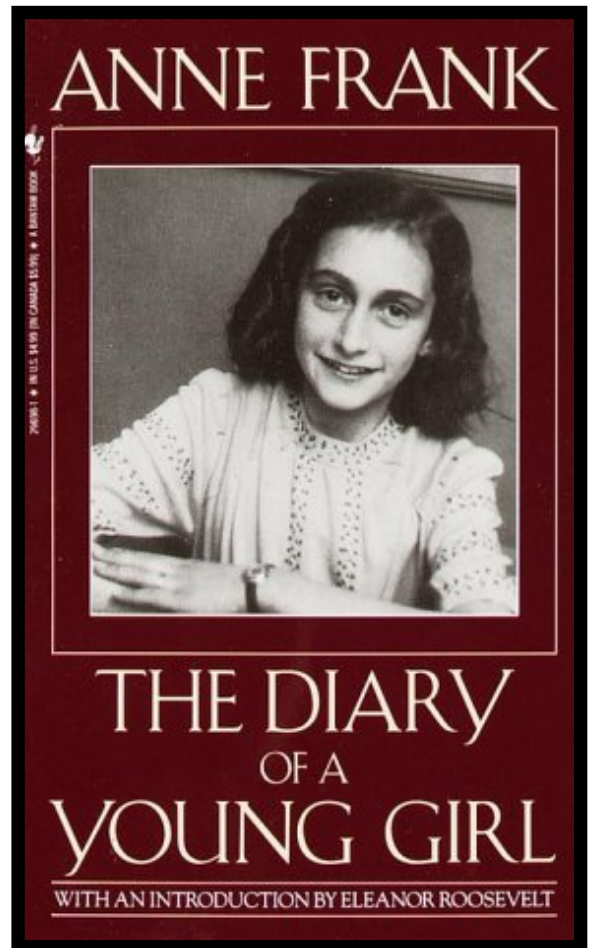
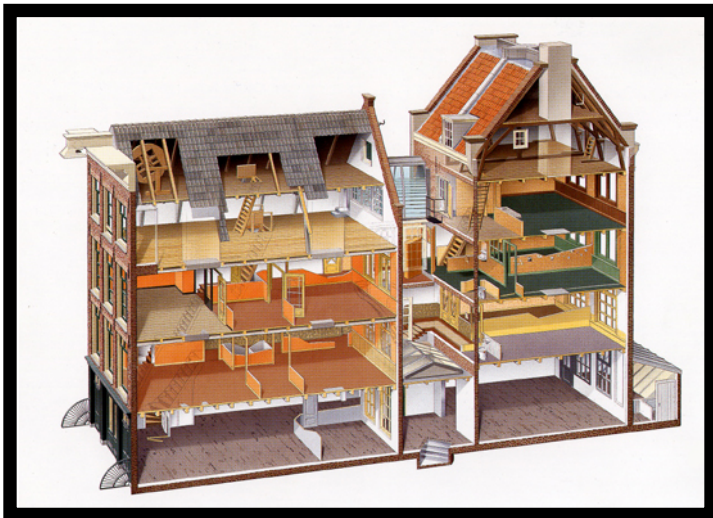


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Anne Frank Biography

Born on June 12, 1929, in Frankfurt, Germany, Anne Frank lived in Amsterdam with her family during World War II. Fleeing Nazi persecution of Jews, the family went into hiding for two years; during this time, Frank wrote about her experiences and wishes. She was 15 when the family was found and sent to the camps, where she died. Her work, *The Diary of Anne Frank*, has gone on to be read by millions.



On June 12, 1942, Frank's parents gave her a red checkered diary for her 13th birthday. She wrote her first entry, addressed to an imaginary friend, Kitty, that same day: "I hope I will be able to confide eventually to you, as I have never been able to confide in anyone. I hope you will be a great source of comfort and support."

Weeks later, on July 5, 1942, Margot received an official summons to report to a Nazi work camp in Germany. The very next day, the family went into hiding in makeshift quarters in an empty space on the back of Otto Frank's company building, which is referred to as the Secret Annex. Otto's employees Kleiman and Kugler, as well as Jan and Miep Gies and Bep Voskuijl, provided food and information about the outside world.

The families spent two years in hiding, never once stepping outside the dark, damp, secret portion of the building. To pass the time, Frank wrote extensively in her diary. Some betrayed the depth of despair into which she occasionally sunk during day after day of confinement. "I've reached the point where I hardly care whether I live or die," she wrote on February 1, 1944. "The world will keep on turning without me, and I can't do anything to change the events anyway." However, the act of writing allowed Frank to gain a sense of dignity and her spirits. "When I write, I can shake off all my cares," she wrote on April 5, 1944.

On August 4, 1944, German secret police officer accompanied by four Nazis stormed into the Secret Annex, arresting everyone that was hiding there. They had been betrayed by an anonymous tip, and the identity of their betrayer remains unknown to this day. The residents of the Secret Annex were shipped off to Camp Westerbork, a concentration camp in the northeastern Netherlands, and arrived by passenger train on August 8, 1944.

(RI.4) What does the word, anonymous, mean as it is used in paragraph 5? How do you know? _____

(RI.7) Use the excerpt from Anne Frank's diary and the diagram to compare and contrast information about the Secret Annex to explain what the Anne Frank diary and the diagram show. How do the two writers present the information differently.

(RI.9) Using the two different texts: Anne Frank's biography and the excerpt from her Diary, explain and analyze how the biographer and Anne Frank herself present the information differently.

PREVIEW

ANSWER KEY

Answers will vary, but the following has a basis for answers.

(RI.1) Cite textual evidence to give a brief description of where the Franks' hiding spot was.

The door to the right of the landing lead to the "Secret Annex" at the back of the house. No one would ever suspect there were so many rooms behind that plain gray door. There's just one small step in front of the door, and that's it. Straight ahead of you is a steep flight of stairs. To the left is a narrow hallway opening into a room that serves as the Frank family's living room and bedroom. Next door is a smaller room, the bedroom and study for the two young ladies of the family. To the right of the stairs is a windowless washroom. A sink and the door in the corner leads to the toilet and another one to Mr. Frank's room.

(RI.2) Summarize Anne Frank's biography from biography.com.

Anne Frank was born in Frankfurt, Germany but her family moved to Amsterdam where they eventually went into hiding to avoid Nazi persecution. Anne received a diary for her 13th birthday and soon after her family went into hiding, when her sister Margot received a summons to report to a German work camp. The family spent two years in hiding, and during this time Anne wrote in the diary. The family was eventually discovered when an informant turned them into German officials. All of the people in hiding, with the exception of Anne Frank, died in concentration camps.

(RI.4) What does the word persecuted, mean as it is used in paragraph 1? How do you know? Persecuted means punished, treated poorly, or even killed. I know this because the sentence that they went into hiding to avoid Nazi persecution so we can infer that Jews were being treated worse than other religions of the time, and they would have gone into hiding to avoid being treated poorly or being killed.

(RI.4) What does the word, betrayed, mean as it is used in paragraph 5? How do you know? Betrayed means to go behind someone's back or to do wrong to someone. In this case, it means someone turned them in to German officials because they weren't supposed to.

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