

Chapter: 7

The Diary of a Young Girl

Comprehension

- A. 1.In the year 1942, in Holland, during the Second World War, Jews were being persecuted by Hitler's Nazi army. The Frank family, who were Jewish, hid in Mr Frank's office to avoid persecution.
- 2.There were new German laws that said that all Jewish people needed to wear a yellow star. They could only walk and not take public transport. They could not go to theatres and be free.
3. They did not have a bathroom where they lived. So, all of them had to take water and go

into different rooms and clean themselves in the dark. The only toilet was down in the office and so they could only use it at night or when the office was empty.

4. All through the previous night there were air raids. Anne got into her father's bed since she was extremely frightened.

5. There were all sorts of rumours about the Frank family. People thought that they were trying to escape to Switzerland. Someone said they saw them getting into a train. Someone else said they were riding bikes.

B. 1. (a) In the above line the Frank family is referred to as 'we'.

(b) The Frank family moved to Holland since Germany was dangerous for them.

(c) In the year 1942, during the Second World War, Jews were being persecuted by Hitler's Nazi army, thus making it difficult for the Frank family to live in Germany since they were Jews.

2. (a) Anne had decided to take her diary, some old letters, and her school books. She thought that memories were more important than clothes and other things.

(b) They were going to hide in some small dark rooms at the top of her father's office. The rooms were right at the top near the attics. Anne called it their Secret Annexe.

(c) Since it was difficult to Carry clothes in suitcases, especially, since they were Jews, they all wore layers of clothes.

3 (a) He referred to here is a new member in the Frank family, Mr Dussel, a dentist, who had come to stay with them.

(b) The terrible news that the dentist had brought was that Germans had taken away many Jews.

(c) Jeeps and cars went around all day and night and simply arrested any Jewish person they saw. They knocked on doors of even non-Jewish homes to see if there were any Jews hidden somewhere.

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1. through
2. out
3. look at
4. looked up
5. looking around
6. looking forward to
7. look back to
8. look after
9. look down upon
10. Look me up

Grammar

A. (page : 88)

1. those
2. The
3. many

4. Some

5. These

6. a lot

B. (page: 88)

1. much

2. many

3. a few

4. a little

5. a few

6. a lot of

7. some

8. any