

ANNE FRANK

(the diary)

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- **birthday:** 12 June 1929
- **death:** in winter 1944-1945
- **country:** Holland
- **family:** father Otto Frank (died in 1980)
mother Edith Frank (died in 1945)
sister Margot Frank (died in 1944-1945)

ATTIC

- **what was in there:** 3 bedrooms
2 big light rooms (kitchens)
- **who was in there:** Frank's family
Mr and Mrs van Daan and their son Peter
Mr Dussel

WAR

- **who have invaded the country:** Germans
- **what are they going to do:** they want to kill all Jews
- **who will rescue them at the end:** British soldiers

DIARY

- **who wrote it:** Anne Frank
- **where:** in their secret annexe
- **who bought the diary for her:** mum and dad for her birthday
- **who published it:** her dad after the war
- **why:** he wanted that the world would know about their situation

10 KEY WORDS

TO INVADE.....VDRETI

SECOND WORLD WAR.....2. SV. VOJNA

JEWS.....ŽIDJE

SECRET ANNEXE..... SKRIVNI PRIZIDEK

CONCENTRATION CAMP..... KONCENTRACIJSKO TABORIŠČE

DIARY.....DNEVNIK

FAMILY.....DRUŽINA

FRIENDS.....PRIJATELJI

ESCAPE.....POBEG

ALLIES.....ZAVEZNIKI

SUMMARY

It was 1942 in Holland. It was the time of Second World War and the Germans have invaded the country. All the Jews were frightened for their lives.

Anne was a young girl and she got her diary for her birthday. After 1940 things were not so good anymore. Their freedom disappeared. Under the new German laws, Jews must wear a yellow star. Jews must walk everywhere, they mustn't go on the bus or train. They must be in the house indoors by eight o'clock. It was terrible life for them.

Then suddenly one day Anne's father said that they must go into hiding. The hiding place was in father's office building. Not many people worked in that office, just Mr Kugler, Mr Kleiman, Miep and Bep. They were Frank's friends.

Up in the third floor of office was their Secret Annexe. There were two bedrooms for Frank's and up the stairs was a big light room for van Daan's. Peter, van Daan's son, was a shy boy and Ms van Daan was awful. Anne didn't like her.

Secret annexe was really a secret. Mr Kugler built a bookcase over little entrance. It was opening like a door.

One day news was very bad. The Germans was taking away many of Anne's Jews friends. They were sent to concentration camps where Germans killed them with gas.

Anne was happy because she heard, that another person will live with them in their attic. This person was Alfred Dussel, the dentist. Mr Dussel was a nice man and he told them all about the outside world. The news was terrible. Anne said, that they are luck here. She felt bad, sleeping in a warm bed, when their dearest friends are suffering so badly. And only because they are Jews. People were being pulled out of their houses and arrested, they had to leave with only a small bag and a little money. Families were separated.

Anne was frightened and her parents were frightened for their lives, too. They could hear the guns outside.

In their attic wasn't so good as they first meant. Their food was terrible. They have plained bread and not real coffee for breakfast. They had lettuce and green vegetables and bad potatoes. That was all. And soon they haven't got any of this anymore.

On 26 July 1943, there was a terrible bombing raid. The house was shaking and the bombs kept on falling. They were all frightened. But next morning they heard some beautiful news about Italy; Mussolini has gone and the King of Italy was leading the government.

And on a beautiful morning, Anne fell in love with Peter. She wanted to become a journalist and Peter respected her wishes.

But one night they had burglars in their house. That night they were in terrible danger. Someone could found them. That has reminded them, that they are Jews and they must live like prisoners. They must forget their personal feelings and be brave and strong. One day this terrible war will be over. The time will come when they'll be people again and not just Jews.

On 6 June 1944, the radio said that this is D-Day, the invasion has begun. The British soldiers have arrived. Frank's, van Daan's and Dussel were very happy that day.

But someone told Germans about their Secret Annexe and on 4 August 1944, Germans arrived and arrested eight people, who lived in attic. They were send to Auschwitz. Anne's mother, Mr van Daan and Ms van Daan died there. Peter died only three days before allies came. Margot and Anne died in Belsen. Otto Frank, Anne's

father, was the only one of the eight people who survived. He spent the rest of his life trying to share the message of his daughter's diary with the rest of the world.