The Diary That Told A Story

Anne Frank was born in Germany in 1929.



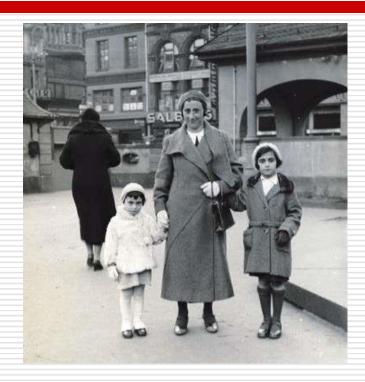
Anne aged 13



When she was 4 years old a group of people called the Nazis came to power. Their leader was called Adolf Hitler.

The Frank family were Jews and the Nazis hated Jews. Anne, her sister Margot and parents, Otto and Edith, had to escape from Germany.





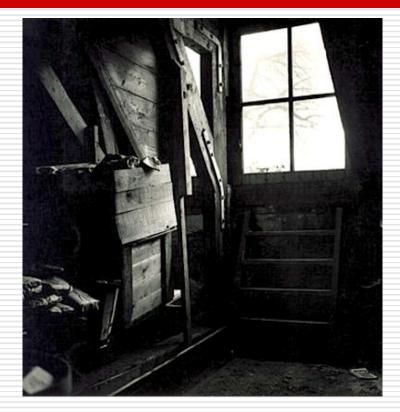
The last photo Otto took before the family left Germany

They went to Holland, but very soon the Nazis had taken over Holland too. The Frank family were in danger as all Jews were being sent to work camps.

It was too late for the family to escape so they had to hide instead. For two years, they hid behind a secret door in a tiny room in an old house along with four other people.



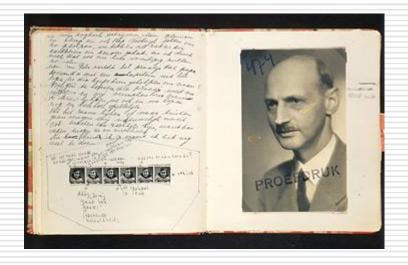
The house where the Frank family hid



Anne's attic window

☐ Jewish families in hiding had to live a life of silence as making noise could give away their hiding place.

When she was 13 years old in 1942 Anne received a birthday present of a diary so she began to write in her diary to relieve the boredom.



A page from the Diary of Anne Frank (1944) showing a photograph of her father Otto



The secret door is located behind the bookcase

One day, someone told the Nazis that the Franks were hiding in an old house. The Nazis came and knocked down the secret door.

☐ The Nazis found the Frank family and sent them away to the work camps where they had to perform heavy labour.

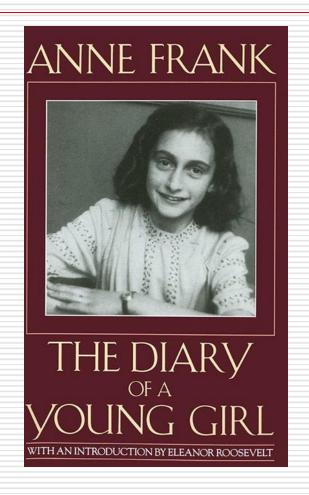


The entrance to the Auschwitz-Birkenau work camp



When the war ended only Otto Frank was still alive. Edith had died of exhaustion and both Margot and Anne had died of typhus.

A friend of Otto Frank had found Anne's diary and kept it safe. It was later published as a book and it is now one of the most famous diaries in the world.



"Think of all the beauty still left around you and be happy." (Anne Frank)