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# Finding and Using Text Evidence

**Directions:** Read “The Girl Who Lived Forever” by Kristin Lewis. Then complete the activity below.

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**1. Imagine that you are writing a paragraph about how keeping a diary affected Anne Frank during the years she was hiding in the annex.**

**A. Which of the following is the best topic sentence for your paragraph?**

- Ⓐ Anne Frank got much comfort from writing in her diary while hiding in the annex.
- Ⓑ Anne Frank wrote in her diary often during the years she was hiding in the annex.
- Ⓒ Anne Frank’s diary describes what life was like while she was hiding in the annex.

**B. Which quote from “The Girl Who Lived Forever” provides the best text evidence to support the sentence you chose in part A above?**

- Ⓐ “Her diary has given voice to those silenced by the Holocaust.”
- Ⓑ “‘I can shake off everything if I write,’ Anne wrote in April 1944. ‘My sorrows disappear, my courage is reborn.’”
- Ⓒ “During that time, she recorded in sharp and often funny detail everything that went on.”

**C. Which of the following best explains why the text evidence you chose in question B is relevant?**

- Ⓐ It proves that Anne was unhappy while living in the annex.
- Ⓑ It illustrates how writing in her diary helped Anne cope with the difficulties of her life.
- Ⓒ It suggests that Anne wrote about every aspect of her life in the annex.

**2. Choose one piece of text evidence that BEST supports the statement below. Then complete the sentence to explain your choice.**

**Hiding in the annex for two years was extremely difficult.**

- Ⓐ “She felt foolish wearing so many clothes—but she kept that to herself.”
- Ⓑ “Anne would live in the secret annex for two long years.”
- Ⓒ “Living in such close quarters was a challenge, especially for energetic Anne, who longed to run outside and feel the sun on her face.”

I chose \_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_  
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**3. A. Choose three pieces of text evidence from “The Girl Who Lived Forever” that BEST support the statement below.**

**In Nazi-occupied Europe, Jewish people were in grave danger.**

- Ⓐ “Though Anne lived more than 70 years ago, she was not so different from you and your friends.”
- Ⓑ “Then Jewish people started to vanish.”
- Ⓒ “He believed that Jews did not deserve to live.”
- Ⓓ “After Germany lost World War I in 1918, its economy fell apart.”
- Ⓔ “The SS, the Nazi’s ruthless military guards, gave cash rewards to anyone who turned in a Jew.”
- Ⓕ “This genocide came to be known as the Holocaust.”

**B. Select one piece of INCORRECT evidence from above and explain why it does NOT support the statement.**

Evidence \_\_\_ does not support the statement because \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**4. Choose the sentences that correctly present text evidence from “The Girl Who Lived Forever” in the form of a direct quotation.**

- Ⓐ Living in the secret annex was a challenge for Anne Frank. In her article “The Girl Who Lived Forever,” author Kristin Lewis explains that Anne “longed to go outside and feel the sun on her face” (8). This detail emphasizes how hard it must have been to be cooped up inside for two years.
- Ⓑ Living in the secret annex was a challenge for Anne Frank. Anne longed to go outside and feel the sun on her face.
- Ⓒ Living in the secret annex was a challenge for Anne Frank. In her article “The Girl Who Lived Forever,” author Kristin Lewis writes that Anne deeply missed being outside in the sun. This detail emphasizes how hard it must have been to be cooped up inside for two years.

Explain why the two answers you did NOT choose are incorrect: \_\_\_\_\_

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**5. Choose the sentence that correctly uses text evidence from “The Girl Who Lived Forever” in the form of a paraphrase.**

- Ⓐ Victor Kugler, Miep Gies, Johannes Kleiman, and Bep Voskuijl showed great courage in helping the Franks.
- Ⓑ Victor Kugler, Miep Gies, Johannes Kleiman, and Bep Voskuijl showed great courage in helping the Franks. During the Nazi occupation, anyone who assisted Jewish people could be arrested and possibly killed. The four workers, however, were willing to risk their own lives to protect the Jews hiding in the annex.
- Ⓒ Victor Kugler, Miep Gies, Johannes Kleiman, and Bep Voskuijl showed great courage in helping the Jews in the annex. According to Kristin Lewis in her article “The Girl Who Lived Forever,” during the Nazi occupation, anyone who assisted Jewish people could be arrested and possibly killed (8). The four workers, however, were willing to risk their own lives to protect the Jews hiding in the annex.

Explain why the two answers you did NOT choose are incorrect: \_\_\_\_\_

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**6. Now it's your turn to put it all together. Write a paragraph about how Anne found courage through the difficult years in hiding. Your paragraph should include at least one piece of text evidence in the form of a paraphrase or a direct quotation, and a sentence explaining how that evidence supports your central idea. We've provided a topic sentence for you.**

*Anne found courage through the difficult years of hiding in several ways.*

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