LITHERLAND HIGH SCHOOL

LIVO CATCH-UP 10

Year 9 – Anne Frank

You have missed some lessons. Don't worry – this will give you the essential knowledge you need to join back in.

1 THE HOLOCAUST

The Holocaust was the persecution and murder of around six million Jewish people by the Nazis during World War Two.

Anti-Semitism is prejudice and hatred towards Jewish people.

Jews were targeted and persecuted across Europe.



2 ANTI-JEWISH LAWS AND EVERYDAY LIFE

Anti-Semitic laws and anti-Jewish measures took away rights and freedoms from Jewish people.

Examples included:

- being banned from some schools, jobs and places
- being forced to wear the Star of David
- facing growing discrimination.

This affected everyday life for Jewish families like Anne's, making life more difficult, restrictive and frightening.



3 ANNE FRANK

Anne Frank was a Jewish girl born in Germany in 1929. Her family moved to Amsterdam as Nazi persecution increased.

Anne was bright, curious and loved writing.



4 THE SECRET ANNEX

The Frank family went into hiding in 1942 because the danger to Jewish people was increasing and they feared arrest and deportation.

They hid in the Secret Annex – a set of hidden rooms above Otto Frank's workplace in Amsterdam.

Life there was confined and challenging. They had to stay very quiet, had limited freedom, and lived with the constant fear of being discovered.



5 ANNE'S DIARY

While in hiding Anne wrote a diary, which she addressed as "Kitty".

It recorded her thoughts, feelings, hopes and fears.

Anne's diary helps people understand what life was like in hiding, from the perspective of a young person living through these events.



6 THE ARREST AND BETRAYAL

In August 1944 the people in the annex were discovered and arrested by the Nazis.

Someone may have betrayed them, but historians are still unsure exactly who was responsible.

There are different theories, but no definite answer.



7 CONCENTRATION CAMPS

After their arrest, Anne and the others were taken to camps, first Westerbork and later Auschwitz, and Anne was eventually taken to Bergen-Belsen.

Concentration camps were places where prisoners were dehumanised, treated cruelly and stripped of freedom and dignity.

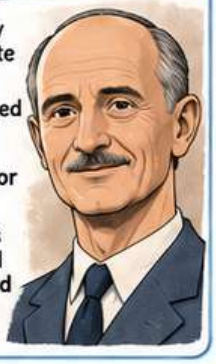


8 OTTO FRANK AND THE DIARY

Otto Frank was the only member of the immediate family to survive.

After the war he returned to Amsterdam, found Anne's diary had been saved, and arranged for it to be published.

Because of this, Anne's voice and story are still known around the world today.



9 KEY VOCABULARY

Holocaust	The persecution and murder of around six million Jewish people by the Nazis.
Anti-Semitism	Prejudice and hatred towards Jewish people.
Persecution	Treating a group of people unfairly and harshly, often because of who they are.
Annex	A separate, usually hidden part of a building (e.g. the Secret Annex where the Franks hid).
Nuremberg Laws	A set of Nazi laws (from 1935) that took away the rights of Jewish people.
Betrayal	The act of being disloyal, such as giving information that puts someone in danger.
Concentration camp	A camp where prisoners were held, treated cruelly and denied their freedom and dignity.
Dehumanise	To treat people as if they are less than human, taking away their dignity, rights and worth.

10 YOUR CATCH-UP 10

Answer these without looking back.

1. What was the Holocaust?
2. What is anti-Semitism?
3. Give two examples of anti-Jewish laws or measures.
4. Why did the Frank family go into hiding?
5. What was the Secret Annex?
6. Why is Anne's diary important?
7. What happened in August 1944?
8. What were concentration camps?
9. Who was Otto Frank and why is he important?
10. What can people learn from Anne Frank's story today?



FINAL CHECK

I now know:

- ☐ what the Holocaust was
- ☐ what anti-Semitism means
- ☐ how anti-Jewish laws affected everyday life
- ☐ why the Frank family went into hiding
- ☐ what the Secret Annex was like
- ☐ why Anne's diary matters
- ☐ what happened when the family were arrested
- ☐ what concentration camps were like
- ☐ who Otto Frank was and why he is important



NOW I'M READY TO REJOIN THE LESSON!