



Study Guide for Guardian Angel House

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Questions and activities for students.

The links below certain questions will help to provide answers.

1. Susan and Vera encountered many differences when they moved to the convent.
 - a. Describe 3 differences that they encountered between the Jewish and Catholic religious services.
 - b. Describe 3 similarities between the two religions.
2. Pretend you are Susan. Write a letter home to Mama explaining what you miss most about life at home and what you like about life at the convent. Also mention some of the things you find difficult about living with the nuns.
3. How did Susan and Julia's attitude change towards the nuns during their stay at the convent?
2. Why do you think the convent was nicknamed "Guardian Angel house"?
4. In what new ways was life difficult for Susan once she was back home after the war?
5. How did her stay at the convent help Susan cope with the difficulties she faced at home after the war?
6. What is a forced labour camp? Describe daily life in a forced labour camp.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Labor_camp

- <http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/article.php?lang=en&ModuleId=10005180>
7. Compare the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms to the restrictions imposed on Jewish people during the Holocaust. What basic rights were denied to Jewish people?
<http://www.pch.gc.ca/pgm/pdp-hrp/canada/guide/index-eng.cfm>
 8. Apart from the Jewish people, which minority groups were persecuted by the Nazis?
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holocaust_victims
 9. Who were the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul? When was the order founded and what was their main purpose?
<http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/03605a.htm>
 10. What is meant by the term 'Righteous Among the Nations'? Find information on 3 people who are recognized as one of the righteous.
 11. Who was the best known Righteous Gentile in Hungary? What did he do?
<http://listverse.com/2008/11/06/10-people-who-saved-jews-during-world-war-two/>
<http://fcit.coedu.usf.edu/holocaust/people/rescuer.htm>
 12. Explain why the nuns at Guardian Angel House should be named 'Righteous'.

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