



# AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY ACTIVITY

## CLAIRE BAUM

**Instructions:** Use information gathered from recollections to fill in the blanks and answer the questions on the worksheet. Each fill-in-the-blank and question has an answer in the recollections. Each time you use a recollection to answer a question, add it to your *My Collection* by tapping or clicking *Collect*. You should end up with ten recollections in *My Collection*.

You will use *My Collection* in Lesson 5 and Lesson 6. You can find additional information about each recollection, including location, date and glossary terms, by tapping or clicking *More Info*.

The recollections are in chronological order, and the questions are in chronological order.

1. Claire's parents, Sophia and Rudolph, were married in 1934 in the city of \_\_\_\_\_, in the Netherlands. Claire was born in 1936, and her sister, \_\_\_\_\_, was born in 1937.

2. As Claire's father observed the rising threat from neighbouring Germany under Hitler's rule, he applied for \_\_\_\_\_ to immigrate to \_\_\_\_\_. What happened to his application?

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3. Name three anti-Jewish measures implemented in the Netherlands from January 1942 onwards:

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4. As Claire and her sister prepare to go into hiding in October 19\_\_\_\_, Claire is told never to talk to strangers, and learns that they have to pretend to be part of the \_\_\_\_\_ religion instead of the Jewish religion.

5. How does Claire feel about celebrating Christmas in 1942?

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6. While the girls are living with Tante Kor, they find a \_\_\_\_\_ on the doorstep and realize they have to look for another safe place to hide. Why did their friend Peter report them to the Nazis?

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7. In January 1945, Claire remembers that the Hunger Winter was at its worst. What was the Hunger Winter, and what kinds of food were available during this time?

→ **HINT:** You can find additional information about each recollection, including location, date and glossary terms, by tapping or clicking *More Info*.

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8. Claire and Ollie were liberated on May 5, 19\_\_\_\_, by soldiers from which country?

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9. After \_\_\_\_\_ years of separation, the girls are reunited with their parents in May 1945. What is their immediate reaction to seeing their parents?

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10. One of Claire's rescuers was named Nel. Explain how Claire honoured Nel many years after the war.

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From Menu, tap or click on *My Collection* and List to see a list of the recollections that you've selected during the Author Biography Activity. As a group, choose three of these recollections to present to the class during Lesson 6. Find recollections in at least two forms (video, memoir excerpt, photograph or artifact), and be prepared to explain why you chose those particular recollections.

- One recollection should relate to the author's *Family*

Recollection titled: \_\_\_\_\_

- One recollection should relate to the author's experience of *Discrimination & Persecution*

Recollection titled: \_\_\_\_\_

- One recollection should relate to the author's life in *Hiding*

Recollection titled: \_\_\_\_\_