



## AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY ACTIVITY

### MARGUERITE ÉLIAS QUDDUS

**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. Marguerite grew up in the city of \_\_\_\_\_ with her parents and older sister, \_\_\_\_\_.

Describe one happy memory from Marguerite's childhood.

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2. In August 1941, Marguerite's father was arrested. Why was he surprised when the French police showed up at their home?

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3. Starting in the month of \_\_\_\_\_ 1942, Marguerite had to wear a yellow star to identify her as Jewish. How did it make her feel?

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4. One morning, Marguerite's mother was arrested. She was released thanks to the help of Mme \_\_\_\_\_, who then helps Marguerite and her sister go into hiding in a \_\_\_\_\_ in Paris.

5. What object does Marguerite take with her when she goes into hiding?

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6. At the second Christmas in her hiding spot with the Chatenay family, Marguerite remembers the Saturday evening meals that she used to share with her family. Name three traditional dishes that she remembers eating:

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**7.** What is Marguerite’s reaction when Henriette asks if they should refer to the couple that is caring for them as “Mama” and “Papa”?

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**8.** After a long separation, Marguerite and her sister are reunited with their mother when France is liberated in 1944. What is Marguerite’s first impression of seeing her mother again?

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**9.** After the war, Marguerite’s mother showed her a paper saying that her father died in a death camp called \_\_\_\_\_ on the date \_\_\_\_\_. Marguerite is convinced it is a lie.

**10.** Because she was unable to write about her painful past, Marguerite’s son, Michael, suggested that she draw her most painful memory. What was the subject of her first drawing?

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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: \_\_\_\_\_