

Lois Lowry's Number the Stars

the Stars

Interactive Layered Flip Book

With the answer keys

Study Guide Answer Key

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chapter

lanky-

sabotage-

Nazi-

exasperated-

Copenhagen -

scurried-

resistance fighter-

sarcastically -

scoffed-

exaggerating -

anxiously -

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Lois Lowry lived all over the world. She attended Brown University, but after her sophomore year to get married and raise a family of four children. They settled in Maine, where she returned to college and received her degree from the University of Southern Maine. Lois Now widowed, she lives in West Cambridge, Massachusetts with her dog, Bandit, and spends weekends in her 19th century farmhouse in New Hampshire.

About Her Writing



- Lois Lowry, author of over 20 novels and winner of the Newbery Medal twice, is a woman to be taken seriously. She has become a favorite of both children and young adults. She has written about a number of topics including adoption, mental illness, cancer, the Holocaust and futuristic societies.
- In her books, Lois Lowry throws her characters and readers into many thought-provoking situations. The contemporary young adult reader is compelled to confront society with all of its imperfections. Lois Lowry told Contemporary Authors that she measures her success as an author by her ability to "help adolescents answer their own questions about life, identity and human relationships."

Vocabulary

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Rising Action:

Climax

Title:-----

Author:-----

Story

Falling Action:

Conflict:

vs.

Protagonist vs. Antagonist

Theme:

can think of.

Character	Description
Annemarie Johansen	
Mrs. Johansen	
Mr. Johansen	
Kirsten Johansen	
Peter Nielsen	
Henrik	



Characters and Themes

Plot Diagram and Literary Devices

- How did Annemarie feel about the soldiers?
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Chap

1. Upon

2. Tell

3. How

4. Explain

5. How does Uncle Henrik say Annemarie helped the Jews?

6. How many more years did the war last?

7. What happened to Peter?

- Name King Christian X's bodyguard.
- Why did King Christian X surrender to the Nazis rather than fight them?
- What nearby country to Denmark remained neutral?
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Chapters 1-4

Chapters 5-8

- What does Peter do that shows Annemarie that he is now an adult, like her mother or father?
- Stripped of all their possessions and deeds, what quality does Annemarie still recognize in the Jews as they depart for the boat?



Chapters 12-17

Chapters 9-11

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Themes

Friendship and Loyalty

Bravery



Resistance

Fairy Tales



The Rescue of Danish Jews



MAP ACTIVITY

Using the map of Europe, locate, label, and color:

1. Denmark-yellow
2. Sweden-red
3. Germany-blue
4. Norway-green
5. France-orange
6. Holland-purple
7. Belgium-pink
8. The North and Baltic Seas
9. Label and place a star at the capital, Copenhagen
10. Place arrows for the escape route

Literary Devices

- ☐ **Flashback** in literature refers to a scene or a series of episodes that interrupts the normal sequence of events to describe an event or events that happened in the past. Skim through Chapter two to find a flashback. Respond to the following:
- ☐ What is the time period of the flashback?

 - ☐ What happens in the flashback?

 - ☐ Why is the information in the flashback important?

- ☐ **Allusion** is a reference in literature to a familiar person, place or event. Do some research to find out about the Norse God Thor to whom Kirsten alluded when she named her cat. Why was Thor a humorous name for the kitten?

- ☐ **Personification** in literature is a device in which an author grants human qualities or attributes to inanimate objects. Find an example of personification from the novel.



Anton Hansen	He is a carpenter, who was once involved in a love affair with a woman who was a Jew.
Mrs. Hansen	(Mama) Anton's mother is a good person. She is a strong woman and is determined. She cares for life and helps the Russian family. She manages to keep up the spirits of the girls, even after their's death, by telling stories.
Mr. Hansen	Anton's father (Papa) is a good person. He never hesitates to do the right thing when confronted with injustice. He is an individual, but he is also representative of the Danish people. Committed to holding and saving Ellen.
Kirsten Hansen	Anton's five-year old little sister. She is not shy – very outgoing. Early tales are her passion. Not afraid of German soldiers and death. Enthusiastic about the Russian invasion.
Peter Neilsen	He has not hair. Peter was engaged to Anton's sister before she was killed at the beginning of the story. He still plays the guitar house to talk with the parents.
Henrik	Anton's uncle. He lives in the home where he grew up. He is a fisherman. He is not married. Henrik is important in saving Ellen and her family. He helps the Russians escape in a secret compartment on his boat.
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Ellen Rosen	Anton's's schoolmate and best friend, she is Jewish. An only child, Ellen is very curious about school and more serious than Antonette. Ellen wants to be an actress and she had the leading role in the school play. Ellen is always creating a paper doll gallery and Antonette play. Ellen is very clever. In the Nazi. Ellen leads to Antonette's first solitary confinement.
The Rosens	Mrs. Rosen is Ellen's mother and Mrs. Johansen's good friend. The two mothers often help coffee together in the afternoon. Mrs. Rosen is afraid of the ocean, but she swimmers. It's worth that her family across to Sweden. As a teacher and biologist her daughter the importance of education.
Mrs. Hirsch	The owner of a button-and thread car shop near Anton's house. The Germans close her shop because she is Jewish, her family is forced to leave Copenhagen.
Great Aunt Birte	The fictional aunt whose fictional death is part of the plan to help Ellen, her family, and other Jews escape.

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