

ANNE LEVY and LILA MILLEN: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Answer the following questions using information and quotes from the documentary and study guide:

1. Describe Anne's family and her life before the war, including the incident with the German shepherd.
2. Describe the steps taken by the Nazis during the first months of the Nazi occupation of Lodz. What happened to Anne's family? What happened to her father? What did her mother decide to do?
3. What are Anne's and Lila's memories of the Warsaw ghetto?
4. Describe Anne's and Lila's memories of the day when their father returned from Russia.
5. How did Mark Skorecki's 'golden hands' help his family survive the Holocaust? Describe the 'vegetable bin' and its purpose.

6. How did Ruth and her daughters escape the Warsaw ghetto? Where did the Skoreckis (initially) live on the 'Aryan side'? Who helped them? What were the risks? What was Mark's job on the 'Aryan side'?

7. In physical appearance, how was Anne 'different' from Lila? Describe how this 'difference' shaped their lives on the 'Aryan side'?

8. Who betrayed the Skorecki family? How did the family survive the rest of the war?

9. How did Anne and Lila 'save' their parents?

10. How do Lila and Anne describe the actions of their parents during the Holocaust?

11. What happened when Ruth attempted to register the family after the war? Explain.

12. What happened after the war when Mark told Lila that she was Jewish?

13. How does Lila describe her relationship with Anne?

14. How did Anne adjust to the 'Jim Crow' laws in the segregated South?

15. Lila says, "Certain things you can't get over." What does she mean? Explain.

16. What is Anne's message?

17. What is Lila's message?

