1. **Setting**: 1942 is the year the Franks go into hiding in Amsterdam, Holland. The hiding place is in the secret annex of Mr. Frank's business office.

2. Characters:

- a. **Miep:** employee of Mr. Frank helps those hiding in the annex, brave for risking her life to help those in hiding
- b. **Kraler:** one of Mr. Frank's former employees who helps those in hiding; he tries to keep their spirits up by telling them positive news
- c. **Mr. Frank:** Anne and Margot's father; holds the group together by being calm, wise, and light-hearted; makes rules for the secret annex
- d. **Mrs. Frank:** Anne and Margot's mother; very protective of Anne and often worries about others; keeps to herself and speaks only when necessary
- e. **Anne Frank:** 13, outgoing, creative, humorous. The play is based on the diary that she writes in while in hiding. She says what she thinks which often gets her into trouble.
- f. Margot: Anne's older sister; 16, studious, helpful, kind, and quiet
- g. **Mr. Van Daan:** Peter's father; he helped Mr. Frank when he first arrived in Amsterdam; short temper, selfish, and likes to smoke and eat; often bickers with his family and Anne
- h. **Mrs. Van Daan:** Peter's mother; spoiled, selfish, flirtatious, and unabashed; embarasses Peter
- i. **Peter:** 16, opinionated, sullen, serious; rips off and burns his yellow star as soon as he gets into hiding
- j. **Mr. Dussel:** meticulous, set in his ways, used to living alone so he has trouble getting along with others; allergic to most animals
- 3. The purpose of the first scene in the play is to let the audience know that Mr. Frank will be the only one of his family to survive the war. We are also introduced to Anne and her diary.
- 4. The entire play is told in flashback (the events have already occurred but are being remembered).
- 5. Mr. Frank sets the following rules they must live by while in hiding: complete silence from 8 a.m. 6 p.m., no one may use the toilet or run the water, they may not wear shoes when walking around, and they must burn their garage.

- 6. The families wear layers of clothing to the hiding place because carrying a suitcase would have been too suspicious. They need change of clothes while they are in hiding.
- 7. Anne makes most of the characters in the annex angry at some point in scene 3. List each one and briefly describe what happens between Anne and that character.
 - a. **Peter:** Anne steals Peter's shoes and makes fun of him by dressing up in his clothes and mimicking him. She also gives him a razor for Hanukkah.
 - b. Mrs. Van Daan: Anne accidently spills milk on her expensive fur coat.
 - c. **Mrs. Frank:** Anne refuses to be a "dignified" lady. She would rather speak how she feels and Mrs. Frank is embarrassed by this.
 - d. **Mr. Van Daan:** Anne is curious and talkative which Mr. Van Daan does not approve of. He wants her to go be quiet and mind her own business.
 - e. Mr. Dussell: He thinks Anne talks too much and asks too many questions.
- 8. Mr. Frank often changes the subject or tells a joke when the people in the annex become angry, worried, or a problem arises. When they hear a noise in the office below, most of the people in the annex become afraid and paranoid. Mr. Frank, on the other hand, remains calm and logical. He eventually convinces everyone else to continue the Hanukkah celebration.
- 9. The mood of scene 4 is fearful because Anne has a nightmare about being arrested by the Green Police. Everyone in the annex is afraid that the Green Police may have heard Anne screaming and they will be found.
- 10. Dramatic irony occurs when the audience knows something that the character on stage does not. When Anne talks about all of the things she wants to do when the war is over, the audience knows that she will not get a chance to do those things.
- 11. Anne dreams that they are all being arrested by the Green Police.
- 12. Mr. Van Daan wants to get rid of Peter's cat because he thinks he is eating too much of his food.
- 13. The people in the annex are frightened because they hear footsteps coming up the stairs. Mr. Frank discovers that the footsteps belonged to a thief who was trying to rob them.