

Book Title: The Diaries of Anne Frank

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To most of us, the Second World War is just an event – it changed the world, indeed. However, what was the price of letting allied boots running in Germany and Japan? What was the ‘white terror’ of the war itself?

Anne Frank was just a child in her teenage like you and me. She had her friends, family, romances, chores...until Adolf Hitler, the Fuhrer (leader) of Nazi Germany commanded his forces to invade the entire Western Europe. Anne and her family were forced to move to Denmark to hide themselves from the German military who took Jews to the concentration camps to be massacred, a product of the Fuhrer’s twisted ideology.

In her diaries, however, Anne was shown to be strong: Most of her diaries did not mention about war, something few can put out of their minds. What she mentioned, though, was just her daily life, her family and friends, who were taken away, killed or fled one by one. Her diaries contrasted so much with the dark atrocities done by the Bundeswehr. Although the Jews were always attacked by the Germans, they prayed, lived, ate, loved as usual.

In spite of her bright personality, Anne was eventually caught by the Bundeswehr and was sent to Auschwitz concentration camp, the most notorious of its kind. It was just days from Allied soldiers to save the prosecuted Jews when Anne died from starvation and disease.

While most of us see World War Two lightly, it is Anne who reminds us not only to remember such a folly, brutal and cruel crime the Nazis have done, but the value of vigilance, optimism, passion and most of all, love and life.