

# NEWS BREAK

**Sunday's News Break** selects an article from **Sunday, November 15, 2015** of The Seattle Times e-Edition for an in-depth reading of the news. Read the selected story and answer the attached study questions.

## **Anne Frank's diary fuels copyright furor (Main, page A14)**

### **Pre-Reading and Vocabulary**

1. Before you read this article, as a class discuss what you think this story will be about. Write down any keywords from the title, which you used to make your predictions.

2. **Vocabulary: Match the words to the numbered definitions below.**

- A. annex
- B. astute
- C. collage
- D. concentration camp
- E. copyright
- F. counter
- G. exploitation
- H. furor
- I. intention
- J. legacy
- K. prologue
- L. provoked
- M. royalties
- N. trademark
- O. vociferous

- 1. a collection of different things
- 2. something that happened in the past or that comes from someone in the past
- 3. to make (something) less effective or ineffective
- 4. an amount of money that is paid to the original creator of a product, book, or piece of music based on how many copies have been sold
- 5. a building that is attached to or near a larger building and usually used as part of it
- 6. to cause the occurrence of (a feeling or action) : to make (something) happen
- 7. the thing that you plan to do or achieve : an aim or purpose
- 8. expressing feelings or opinions in a very loud or forceful way
- 9. the legal right to be the only one to reproduce, publish, and sell a book, musical recording, etc., for a certain period of time
- 10. to use (someone or something) in a way that helps you unfairly
- 11. something (such as a word) that identifies a particular company's product and cannot be used by another company without permission
- 12. having or showing an ability to notice and understand things clearly : mentally sharp or clever

13. an introduction to a book, play, etc.
14. a type of prison where large numbers of people who are not soldiers are kept during a war and are usually forced to live in very bad conditions
15. a situation in which many people are very angry and upset

### Comprehension

1. Where did Anne Frank die and how old was she at the time of her death?
2. When Otto Frank first published his daughter Anne's diary and notebooks, he wrote a prologue assuring readers of what?
3. The Swiss foundation that holds the copyright to "The Diary of Anne Frank" is alerting publishers that her father is not only the editor of the book but that he is also legally what?
4. According to the article, the move by the Swiss foundation to alert publishers has a practical effect of extending the copyright of the book. Copyrights in Europe generally end \_\_\_\_\_ years after an author's death. **(Multiple Choice)**
  - a) 50
  - b) 70
  - c) 75
  - d) None of the above
5. Extending the copyright would block others from being able to publish the book without paying \_\_\_\_\_ or receiving \_\_\_\_\_. **(Fill in the blanks)**
6. Some people opposed to the move made by the Swiss foundation of extending the copyright have said they would defy the foundation and do what?
7. In the 1960's, what did Otto Frank and the city of Amsterdam help save?
8. What does the foundation do with royalties its collects from the diary?
9. Six years ago, the foundation asked legal experts in various countries for advice on its copyright of the diary and they concluded that Otto Frank had created a new work by editing and trimming entries from Anne's diary - **true or false?**
10. What has the Anne Frank House museum been working for five years on with historians and researchers that they hope to publish once the copyright expires?

### Additional Activities

1. After reading the article, do you think that the copyright should be extended by the foundation – or do you think that copyrights should be limited so that written material can be freely used?
2. Read and watch a short mini biography about Anne Frank  
<http://www.biography.com/people/anne-frank-9300892>
3. What do you think Anne Frank's legacy is? Why do you think it was important for her father to preserve her legacy and set up the foundation in her name?

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### **Answer Key to Vocabulary**

- A. 5
- B. 12
- C. 1
- D. 14
- E. 9
- F. 3
- G. 10
- H. 15
- I. 7
- J. 2
- K. 13
- L. 6
- M. 4
- N. 11
- O. 8

### **Answer Key to Comprehension Questions**

1. Anne Frank died in a concentration camp (Bergen-Belsen) when she was 15.
2. He assured readers the book mostly contained Anne's words.
3. That he is also legally the co-author.
4. b) 70
5. royalties, permission
6. They said they would defy the foundation and publish portions of her text.
7. They helped save the building where the family was hidden (the Anne Frank House).
8. It distributes them to charities.
9. True
10. They have been working on a Web version of the diary.