

SUBJECT ON A PAGE – LETTERS FROM THE LIGHTHOUSE

Important Information

PLOT: The story is about a girl named Olive, and her brother Cliff who are evacuated from London to coastal Devon to get away from the German air raids.

It tells the story of how Olive makes/loses/and makes again friendships, adapts to a different life by the sea, gets involved in hunting for her missing sister Sukie, and generally becomes an amateur sleuth to work out how everyone around her appears to be involved in some kind of secret plot.

THEMES: Prejudice, fear, independence, bravery, love, life, loss, tolerance and bereavement.

SETTING: The book is set in 1941 in the midst of World War II. The children are evacuated from London and sent away to the Devon coast.

Main Characters

Olive: Quick thinking and adventurous sister of Cliff and Sukie (12 year old).

Cliff: Olive and Sukie's youngest brother (8 year old).

Esther: a Jewish refugee.

Ephraim: the lighthouse keeper who takes in Olive and Cliff as evacuees.

Sukie: Eldest sister of Cliff and Olive (17 year old).

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Name of Book: Letters from the Lighthouse

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Genre: Historical Fiction

Wartime Phrases

“Make Do and Mend.”

“Careless Talk Costs Lives.”

“Do Your Duty.”

Secret Code

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Key Vocabulary

air raid	An attack in which bombs are dropped from aircraft on to a ground target.
evacuee	Someone who has been sent away from a dangerous place to somewhere safe, especially during a war.
foreign	Of, from, in, or characteristic of a country or language other than one's own.
Jerry	A German soldier.
Kindertransport	The operation to evacuate Jewish children from Nazi-controlled areas of Europe to the United Kingdom between 1938 and 1940.
Luftwaffe	The German Air force.
Nazis	A member of a German fascist party controlling Germany from 1933 to 1945 under Adolf Hitler.
ration	A fixed allowance of provisions or food, especially for soldiers or sailors or for civilians during a shortage.
refugee	A person who has been forced to leave their country in order to escape war, persecution, or natural disaster.
telegram	a piece of paper with a message sent by