She was born in 1929 in Germany. Because she was Jewish she had to flee from the Nazis to The Netherlands in 1933. She hid with her family and four others in an office flat in Amsterdam from 1942 until they were betrayed (verraten) in 1943. She died in a concentration camp. The moving diary (Tagebuch) she kept during her concealment (Versteck) was published by her father after the war.

He was born in 1882 in Germany. When he joined the army, he was in the cavalry. Later he became an airman. His nickname (Übername) was the Red Baron, because of his scarlet aircraft. He had 80 aerial victories, but was shot down in 1918.

She was born in Strasbourg, France. Her uncle taught her to make waxworks. When he died she inherited his museum. The guillotines of the French Revolution served her lots of heads and she could produce death masks of famous people. She travelled to London with her life-sized portrait waxworks and in 1835 she set up a permanent exhibition (Ausstellung). Nowadays (heute) you can still see her handiwork such as Marie Antoinette, Napoleon and criminals of the time in the famous Chamber of Horrors.

He was born in Konolfingen, Switzerland. He studied in Bern and Zurich, and turned from painting to writing. His plays brought him international reputation (Ruf). He has also written novels (Romane), short stories, critical essays and works for radio.

He was born in Geneva, Switzerland, in 1828. He founded (gründete) the International Red Cross after seeing the wounded soldiers on the battlefield of Solferino. He was awarded (ausgezeichnet) the Nobel Prize.

He was born in Germany in 1820. From 1842 he lived mostly in England. He met Karl Marx and worked with him on the Communist Manifesto which came out in 1848. He spent his years editing and translating Marx’s writings.

He was a Norwegian sailor who explored the Greenland coast and founded the Norse colonies there in 985. His son Leif landed in Vinland in 1000. This Vinland is identified as America.

He was born in 1937 in Takrit, Iraq. He joined the Arab Baath Socialist party. After a revolution he became President of Iraq in 1979. He attacked Iran in 1980. This terrible war didn’t end until 1988. He invaded Kuwait in 1990, but was forced to withdraw (zurückziehen) when he was defeated (besieg) by a coalition of Arab and Western forces in Operation Desert Storm. After the war of 2003 when the allied forces conquered (erobern) Iraq he was captured by American troops. He was hanged in 2006.

She was born in 1958. She trained as a dancer at Michigan University before moving to New York City, where she began her professional career as a backing singer for a number of New York groups. She became famous by releasing her own album which included five US hit singles in 1984. She has also acted in films. She became an important role model for teenagers in the 1980s and 1990s.

She was born in Vienna as the daughter of the Austrian Empress. She was married to the Dauphin, afterwards Louis XVI, of France. From the outbreak of the French Revolution, she resisted the advice of constitutional monarchists, and helped to alienate (entfremden) the monarchy from the people. She was executed a few months after her husband.