

MUZAFFER

Name

5 years old

Age

Bulgarian Turk

Nationality

Muzaffer was born in Bulgaria. She belongs to the

Turkish minority. Her family is not allowed to speak their language freely or maintain their cultural traditions. So they decided to escape to Turkey.



BULGARIA





GEORGI

Name

58 years old

Age

Bulgarian

Nationality

Georgi is a writer.

But people cannot

read all that he writes, because
the regime is afraid of him and
censors his work. He decided
to leave his homeland so that
he can write and publish his
books elsewhere.





NICOLAE

Name

37 years old

Age

Romanian

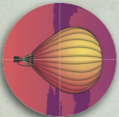
Nationality

Nicolae is a scientist.

He wrote an open

letter criticising

corrupt Communist party officials
and the staged elections. Instead
of responding, the regime wants
to close him in a mental hospital.
He decides for emigration.





NADIA

Name

25 years old

Age

Romanian

Nationality

Nadia is an athlete, a long-distance runner. The regime has been utilizing her international sports achievements for propaganda purposes. She does not agree with that and so she decided to leave across the Iron Curtain.



ROMANIA





ANGELA

Name

54 years old

Age

Slovenian

Nationality

Angela works at
a post office.

She used to be a Communist, but she left the party because she realized that they tell lies. The Communists do not tolerate that. They persecute her. She would like to live in a free country.





IVANA

Name

20 years old

Age

Croatian

Nationality

Ivana wants to be
a TV moderator.

Her parents were

persecuted for political
reasons, so she was not allowed
to study and cannot pursue her
dream. She sees no other way
than to flee to the West.





ZOLTÁN

Name

22 years old

Age

Hungarian

Nationality



Zoltán is a swimmer,
he gets invited
to world swimming

contests, but the regime makes
it very difficult for him
to travel abroad. So he decides
to cross to the other side
of the Iron Curtain.





BÉLA

Name

52 years old

Age

Hungarian

Nationality



Béla is a policeman.
 The police harrasses
 innocent people because of their
 political opinions. Béla cannot
 do this work any more. It was
 not easy to leave the security
 forces. Now he has to escape
 the regime, they are after him.





JOSEF

Name

41 years old

Age

Czech

Nationality

Josef is a pilot,
he fought with the
British in WWII. The
Communists are afraid of brave
people. They threw him from the
army and sent him to a concentration
camp. He managed to escape and now
he must leave to the West.





PAVLÍNA

Name

8 years old

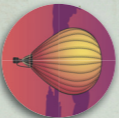
Age

Czech

Nationality

After the occupation
of her country by
the Soviet Union,

Pavlína's parents fled to the West
and left her with her grandmother.
The regime does not want to let
her leave. Her mother and father
are trying to organize her escape.





PETER

Name

21 years old

Age

Slovak

Nationality

Peter is a factory worker. He can receive radio and TV broadcasts from the West. It is forbidden. The Communist media do not tell the truth about the world. Peter cannot stand it. He wants to live in freedom.





MÁRIA

Name

39 years old

Age

Slovak

Nationality

Mária used to work
as a diplomat in
the West. Everybody
who knows the free world is
dangerous to the regime. So the
State security is following her.
Will she manage to escape?
Her life is at stake.





HARTMUT

Name

19 years old

Age

East German

Nationality

Hartmut has just

graduated from

school. He wants to be

a medical doctor. He knows very

well that people in West Germany

are better off and that they are

free. He decides to go there

to live with his uncle and aunt.





ANKE

Name

24 years old

Age

East German

Nationality

Anke's family used to raise cattle and horses, they owned a farm.

The Communists confiscated it and resettled the family far away. Anke is only allowed to do unskilled manual work. She sees no future for herself.





ADAM

Name

15 years old

Age

Polish

Nationality

Adam's father runs
a small private shop
and the police keep
harassing him. Adam would like
to be an entrepreneur like his
father. He sees that it is not
possible in his country. He has
written a goodbye letter to his Dad.





ROZALIA

Name

69 years old

Age

Polish

Nationality

Rozalia lives alone
in an old people's
home. All her children and
grandchildren are on the other
side of the Iron Curtain. None
of them is allowed to return
to the country. She would like
to see them before she dies.





YVONKA

Name

17 years old

Age

Belarusian

Nationality

Yvonka does not

remember her parents.

They were deported to

a concentration camp, the gulag.

She grew up in a children's home. She is afraid that

something similar could happen to her and so she decides to escape.



SOVIET UNION





ZIANON

Name

44 years old

Age

Belarusian

Nationality

Zianon is an engineer.

He has to work in

the arms industry and develop

weapons for the regime. They

need his skills. He would like to

use his talents differently. But

that means leaving for

a different, free country.



SOVIET UNION





IRINA

Name

33 years old

Age

Ukrainian

Nationality

Irina is a judge.

She wants to work

for justice. But her country

violates human rights. They

order her to send student

demonstrators to prison.

She refuses. She is thinking

of escaping.



SOVIET UNION





ARKADY

Name

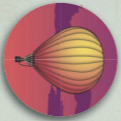
31 years old

Age

Ukrainian
Nationality



Arkady is a patriot.
His grandfather
was killed by the Communists.
He speaks up publicly for the
people of his nation. He wants
them to have equal rights,
to be able to decide their own
affairs. The regime is after him.





ALMA

NAME

32 years old

AGE

Lithuanian

NATIONALITY

Alma's family
and friends are

religious. She was brought up
in faith in God. But the regime
violates the freedom of belief
and the family has to meet other
church members in secret. Alma
has had enough of the hiding.





MYKOLAS

Name

23 years old

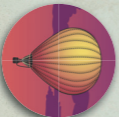
Age

Lithuanian

Nationality

Mykolas is a car mechanic. He loves to travel and dreams of a trip around the world. But it is forbidden to leave and return to his country freely. He cannot even travel freely in the Soviet Union. He wants to emigrate.

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WALTERS

Name

27 years old

Age

Latvian

Nationality



Walters is a secondary school teacher.

He does not teach in

line with the state ideology. One of his pupils denounced him. The Communists have warned him. But Walters does not want to give up his principles. He chooses to escape.





MARITA

NAME

38 years old

AGE

Latvian

NATIONALITY

Marita is a lawyer and women's rights advocate. She wanted to run as an independent candidate in the elections to improve the situation in her country. But this is forbidden. She received threats. She decides to escape.





NEEME

Name

36 years old

Age

Estonian

Nationality

Neeme is a journalist.

He investigated and

published information

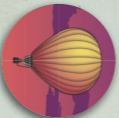
about toxic environmental

pollution in his country. It

was broadcast in the West. The

regime is very angry. They want

to arrest him. He must leave quickly.





ENE

Name

29 years old

Age

Estonian

Nationality

Ene is a talented violinist and composer. She got a scholarship from a prestigious music school. It is in the West and the regime does not let her go. She has friends in Finland. She decides to cross the border illegally.





ILYA

NAME

28 years old

Age

Russian

Nationality

Ilya fell in love
with Julie from

France. They exchange letters.
His family is being followed
by the secret police. They read
their correspondence, wiretap
their telephones. Ilya decides
to escape to France.





YELIZAVETA

Name

43 years old

Age

Russian

Nationality

**Yelizaveta's friends
are in prison**

for distributing a satirical
leaflet. This is illegal,
because there is no freedom of
expression in their country.

The regime sentenced them. She
does not want to live here any more.





DIMITRI

Name

18 years old

Age

Albanian Greek

Nationality

Dimitri is a student.

The family belongs

to the Greek minority

which is persecuted in Albania.

They are forced to speak Albanian
and they were forcibly relocated.

This is no life for Dimitri. He sees
only one chance: to escape.





SABIHA

Name

16 years old

Age

Albanian

Nationality

Sabiha was born in
a concentration

camp where her parents and older brother and sister were sent for life. They live in wooden barracks and work in the fields. Surviving is very hard. She plans to escape and to help the family from abroad.



ALBANIA





DENUNCIATION



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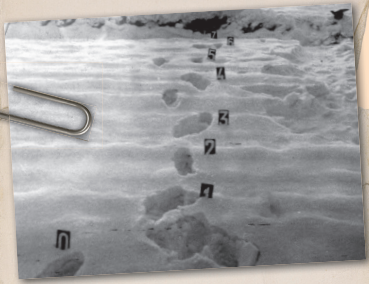


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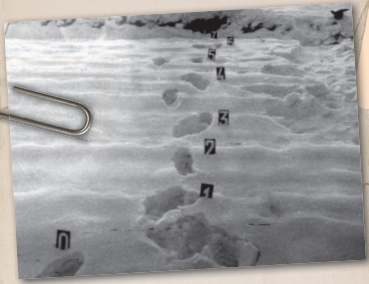


LUCKY PASS





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BORDER ALARM



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PURSUIT



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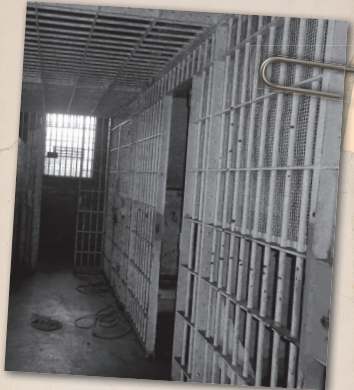
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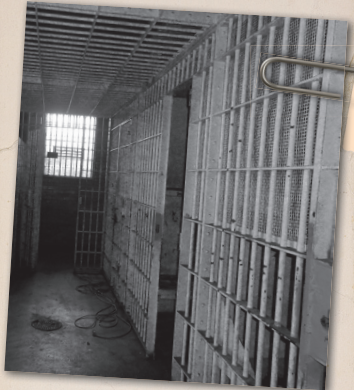


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