Setting Up the Bases

Directions: Setting is the time period and place in which a story happens. By describing the setting of a story, an author can help you imagine living in that world. Answer the questions below to help you understand the setting in When Girls Ruled Baseball.

Setting

1. What major event is happening in the world at the time this play takes place? How is it affecting people's lives?
2. How would life be different for Georgia if there were no war going on? How would it be different for Frankie?
3. How were women expected to act and appear while playing baseball? What does this tell you about life during this time period?

- 4. Where does Scene 6 take place? What is unusual about what's happening there?
- 1. World War II is happening. Thousands of young men (and some women) went off to war each week. Women started working in offices and factories, helping to make provisions for the war.
- 2. Georgia would not have the opportunity to play professional baseball. Frankie would not be battling in the war.
- 3. Women players were expected to wear skirts and makeup and behave with good manners. This shows that there were different expectations for women than men.
- 4. Scene 6 takes place in Wrigley Field, in Chicago. Instead of men playing there, women are trying out for a professional baseball league.