DEAR CANADA

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Banished from Our Home
The Acadian Diary of Angélique Richard
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1. What does Angélique mean when she says “we can have our way most of the time and get along with the British too.”?

2. Why would the British forbid the Acadians to travel, use their boats, and force them to surrender their guns? In what ways would this make the Acadians’ life very difficult?

3. Do you agree with Angélique that grown-ups will tell you one thing but think another? Why?

4. Why would the British seize the priest? What impact would this have on the community?

5. Why would the New Englanders be so hostile toward the Acadians?

6. Why is Angélique proud of her adventure in the rowboat? What was she trying to do?

7. In what ways is Colonel Winslow fair and cruel at the same time?

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