

# The Writer's Craft: How does the author choose the words to end each chapter?

Number the Stars  
*brainstorm for video  
trailer.*

Direction: Look back over the ends of the chapters. What do you expect to find? What is the last sentence from each chapter?

# Chapter 1

She glanced through the window down to the street corner where the soldiers stood there faces impassive beneath the metal helmets. When the soldiers leave.

# Chapter 2

Annemarie recited whispering into the dark  
completing the tale for her sister, who slept beside her  
one thumb in her mouth.

# Chapter 3

Annemarie admitted to herself snuggling in the quiet dark. That she was glad to be an ordinary person who would never be called upon for courage.

# Chapter 4

Annemarie one blond which reached to his should and Ellen dark hair the thick curls braided as always into pigtails. Don't be frightened he said to them softly. Once I had three daughters. Tonight I am proud to have three daughters again.

# Chapter 5

Annemarie relaxed the clenched fingers of her right hand, which still clutched Ellen's necklace. She looked down, and saw that she had imprinted the Star of David into her palm.

# Chapter 6

“Go on,” Mama told her. “Run ahead and tell the house we’ve come home.”

Then she put her arm around Ellen’s shoulders and added, “Say that we’ve brought a friend.”

# Chapter 7

But there was a difference. In the earlier times, she had always overheard laughter. Tonight there was no laughter at all.



# Chapter 8

Such wonderful, interesting stories, filled with the colorful personality of her mother's family. And Anne Marie was quite, quite certain, though she said nothing. There was no Great-aunt Birte. She didn't exist.

# Chapter 9

Ellen was still outside. But in a moment the door opened and she returned - held tightly, like a little girl, her bare legs dangling, against her father's chest. Her mother was beside them.

# Chapter 10

Finally, still reading, he move quietly to the window. He closed the Bible and listened to the quiet night. Then he looked around the room. “ Now,” he said, “ it is time.” First he close the windows. Then he went to the casket and opened the lid.

# Chapter 11

Annemarie realized, though she had not really been told, that Uncle Henrik was going to take them, in his boat, across the sea to Sweden. She knew how frightened Mrs. Rosen was of the sea: its width, its depth, its cold. She knew how frightened Ellen was of the soldiers, with their guns and boots, who were certainly looking for them. And she knew how frightened they all must be of the future.

# Chapter 12

After a second she saw a shape there: something unfamiliar, something that had not been there the day before. A dark shape, no more than a blurred heap, at the beginning of the path. Annemarie squinted, forcing her eyes to understand, needing to understand, not wanting to understand.

The shape moved and she knew. It was her mother, lying on the earth.

# Chapter 13

Annemarie kissed her mother quicky grab the basket  
from her mother's lap turned ran toward the path

# Chapter 14

Then they were there in front of her. Four armed soldiers. With them, straining at taut leashes, were two large dogs, their eyes glittering, their lips curled.

# Chapter 15

"I wasn't sure," he said. 'But now' he eyed the basket in his hands 'because of you, annemarie, everything is alright.

'You run home now, and tell your mama not to worry. I will see you this evening.' He grinned at her suddenly . they took my bread, eh?" he said. " I hope they choke on it."



# Chapter 16

“Uncle Henrik!” Annemarie shrieked, and then began to laugh. “Look!” She pointed. “The God of Thunder has fallen into the milk pail!”

# Chapter 17

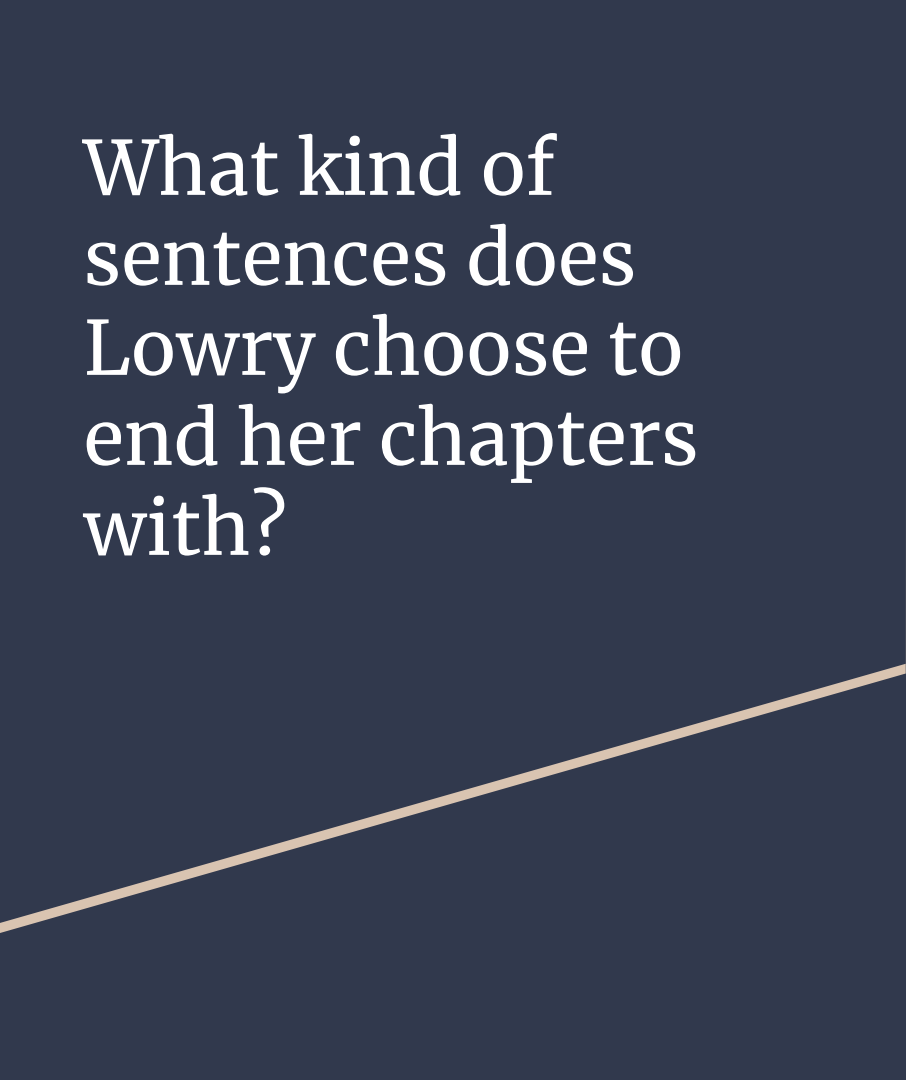
Her father took it from her and examined the broken clasp. "Yes," he said, "I can fix it." When the Rosen's come home you can give it back to Ellen.

"Until then," Annemarie told him, "I will wear it myself."

# Chapter 18



What kind of  
sentences does  
Lowry choose to  
end her chapters  
with?



# How do the final sentences make you as a reader feel?

Scott-it made me feel excited because I am wondering what will happen next in the story.

Holdyn-This book makes me feel happy but also sad,because people don't get to do nice things and some of the jews got killed.

Rachelle- The final sentences made me feel like i wanted to read more.

Alex-The final sentences make me feel happy.

Wyatt- happy but sad because some of them made it to sweden but some of the where killed.

Christian- Im happy to read this book but at the same time sad because, people can't eat nice food and some of the Jews got killed .

Brenden- Up setting because they were trying to found out who was a Jew and where trying to kill them.

Ashlee- It made me feel excited because I am wondering what will happen next in the story.