HISTORICAL FICTION PRACTICE

Read the following passage. Then answer the questions about with clear and complete answers.

The Strength to Speak Out

"Rebecca has been gone for what feels like ten years, Pa, but it is still 1838," Mrs. Miller told her husband.

Mr. Miller responded, "We have to be strong, dear. She has an important mission. Here, a letter came for you today. Read it aloud."

Mrs. Miller excitedly began reading: "My Dear Mama, I miss you and Papa so. Do not worry, for I am safe and well. I have listened to wonderful speakers at the abolitionist meeting in Pennsylvania Hall. Angelina Grimké Weld gave an inspiring speech against slavery. She urged us all to join together against the shame of our nation. Mama, would you believe that even I took the stage and spoke to the other abolitionists? It is true, Mama. Before my speech, Mrs. Weld took my hands and looked in my eyes and said, 'Rebecca Miller, stand up and speak your mind, for yours is a smart mind and your voice is one of courage.' Be proud, Mama. I have become the strong woman that you had hoped me to be. With love and devotion to you and Papa, Rebecca"

1. **How do you know this text is Historical Fiction?**

2. **Who is the main character in this text? What do you know about the character?**

3. **What is the setting?**

4. **What important information does the letter reveal to the secondary characters?**