


What's the story?

Hundreds of girls died in flames

Yesterday, near Washington Square, a fire broke out in a ~~building with ten floors.~~ ten story building. One hundred and forty-six girls were working ~~in~~ on the tenth floor and died in ~~those~~ the flames. Girls ~~from~~ between the ages of seventeen ~~to the age~~ of and twenty-five died up there, because they ~~had no~~ didn't have¹ a chance to flee. The fire broke out at three o'clock and the women ~~could just watch the fire coming~~ were trapped in the building.

Lots of ~~mourners~~ spectators were watching the terrible scenes from~~n~~ the street, but the parents and relatives must have felt worst! We tried to talk with one of the mothers, but none of them were able to say ~~one anything.~~ that's understandable. They ~~did not do~~² anything bad, but their girls just died in those horrible flames and no one could do anything ~~to change it.~~ about it.

The girls worked ~~in~~ on the tenth floor of the building in a room with only one door.  They were working in an old sweatshop up there and they were sewing shirtwaists all day long. The girls did not get a lot of money for it, but still they had to work very hard. They had no comforts, no fresh air, ~~nearly no~~ hardly any light in this big room where they had to sit ~~the whole~~ all day.

~~Every girl did not~~ None of the girls liked ~~like~~ the job in the sweatshop, but they did not have any other opportunities and now they died there, ~~nearly their second~~ home³. It's horrible what terribly⁴ things happen every day.

1 tip: in English you negate the verb, not the noun: e.g.: I don't think this is a good idea (**not** I think this is not...)

2 Tense tip: this must have happened before!!!

3 This sounds a bit odd. If they hated the place and the bad conditions, they would probably not call it their second home.

4 Tip: watch out for adverbs and adjectives. You need an adverb (-ly) with verbs and an adjective with nouns. (a terrible thing but she cried terribly)

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