

## ‘Crooked Letter, Crooked Letter’ – Rounding-off Activities

These activities are supposed to get the students

- to look at the novel as a whole,
- to find links to 'Gran Torino' and
- to find connections to the SPT “The Ambiguity of Belonging” in general.

✍ A Mississippi Major (the supervisor of the police detectives) oversees Chabot's police work. He is especially fascinated by the connection of the two cases 'Cindy Walker' and 'Tina Rutherford'.

Write his report on the circumstances around

- Cindy Walker's disappearance in 1982 and
- Tina Rutherford's disappearance 25 years later.

✍ When Silas leaves school and home, his mother Alice Jones writes a letter to her best friend in Chicago. In this letter she describes her and Silas' life journey.

Write this letter without forgetting to consider the following aspects:

- race relations in the South from the 1970s onwards
- Silas' relation to his father
- Silas' relation to his half-brother
- hopes and realities.