

A Long Walk to Water

Linda Sue Park's book "A Long Walk to Water" is based on a true story. It is about a refugee of war in the Sudan. The author is a Newberry Prize winner.

1. The book takes place in two time periods in the country of Sudan. What was the political situation in Sudan in 1985? Using 1 or 2 sentences, who was in charge of the government and what caused the war.
2. How had the situation changed in 2008 in Sudan?
3. Who are the Dinka tribe in Sudan? In the novel, Salva is a young boy who is a member of the Dinka tribe. What about the Nuer tribe? How did they interact with the Dinka tribe?
4. In 1985, Salva fled from southern Sudan to a refugee camp in Ethiopia just across the river where he stayed for six years. He had to leave and walk to Kenya in 1991. Look on a map and estimate how far he walked.