LAND OF MINE
拆彈少年

['dɛnmark]"丹麥"

"自納粹軍解放"
['lɪbə‚ret]

['menlɪ]"主要地"
"絕望 企圖"
['dɛspərɪt][ə'tɛmpt]

['hom‚sɪk]
"思鄉病的"

[ɪn'valv]['tɔrtʃə]
"包含 酷刑"
[ɛksɪ'kjuʃən]"處決"

*keep one's
wits about one
"保持警覺"

['lændmaɪn]"地雷"

[ə'laɪd]（同盟國的）
[rɪ'muv]"移除"

*be up to
"取決於…"

['sɑrdʒənt]"中士"

"逃跑"['fliɪŋ]
*in droves
"成群的"

（徵召）
[kən'skrɪpʃən]

[ɪg'zɔstɪd]
"精疲力竭的"

['denɪʃ][kə'mænd]
"丹麥人 控制"

"苦工"['lebə]

*manage to
"設法完成"

[æn‚tɪsə'peʃən]
*in anticipation of
"預料到"

"解除（武裝）"
"被估計"['ɛstɪmetɪd]
"散落"['skætə]
"公分"['sɛntə‚mitə]

[snik] [glæns]
*sneak a glance
"偷瞄 一眼"

Denmark, autumn 1945.

Just months earlier, in May, the country had been **liberated from Nazi forces**. The **fleeing** German soldiers were captured **in droves**. The prisoners were **mainly** young men. As a last, **desperate attempt** to find more soldiers near the end of the war, the Nazi Party had taken anyone and everyone into **conscription**. Some of them were no older than teenagers, and they looked like it. These young men were defeated, frightened, **homesick**, and most of all, **exhausted**. The war was finally over, but not for them. They were prisoners of war, now under **Danish command**.

The young soldiers knew that the Danish were not a cruel people and that there was a plan for them, but it did not **involve torture**, **hard labor**, or even **execution**. It was just as dangerous as going to war, but there was a good chance that most of them might survive it if they **kept their wits about them** and **manage**d **to** do a good job. They might even get to go home to Germany.

The plan was this: **landmine**s, having been planted along the west coast of Denmark by the Germans during the war **in anticipation of** an **Allied** attack, would need to be **disarm**ed and **remove**d. There were an **estimated** 2.2 million of these landmines, **scatter**ed and buried along the seaside, fifteen to twenty **centimeter**s below the ground. **It was up to** them to do it properly; otherwise there would be nothing left of them if they were not careful enough.

The **sergeant** watched from his truck as the line of young men marched by him. Most would not look at him at all, some **sneak**ed only **a**