

Holocaust Reflection Group Discussion

Group Member #1 _____

Discuss your thoughts and reactions to the film, *The Devil's Arithmetic*. Write down your group's opinions and feelings as they watched.

What scene was the most impactful to each group member? Why?

Though this film was painful to watch, do you think it is good to know what happened during this time?

Group Member #2 _____

Think back to Anne Frank's diary entries and the play that we read. Why is reading Anne's diary a unique perspective on the holocaust?

Anne's dad published her diary after her death. Though she did say that she wanted to be a writer when she grew up, how do you think she would feel about millions of people all over the world reading her private thoughts?

Group Member #3 _____

Discuss the reading and film clips related to *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*. What impact did showing the concentration camp through the perspective of a small boy have?

This story is historical fiction. What are your group's thoughts about learning about history through characters that didn't exist. Is this confusing or does it make history more engaging?

Group Member #4 _____

Look back at Elie Wiesel's Nobel Prize speech. How did you feel about his words? What impact did this speech have on you?

Look through the speech and have each member share a quote that they thought was powerful and why. Copy one of the quotes here and explain what the group member said about its significance.

