

Scavenger Hunt: Background Information about The Holocaust

Directions: Read all of the questions first. Answer the questions in another color.
With each answer, include the SOURCE number.

“In Germany, they came first for the Communists,
And I didn’t speak up because I wasn’t a Communist;
And then they came for the trade unionists,
And I didn’t speak up because I wasn’t a trade unionist;
And then they came for the Jews,
And I didn’t speak up because I wasn’t a Jew;
And then . . . they came for me . . .
And by that time there was no one left to speak up.”
~ Pastor Martin Niemöller



**To forget a holocaust
is to kill twice.**

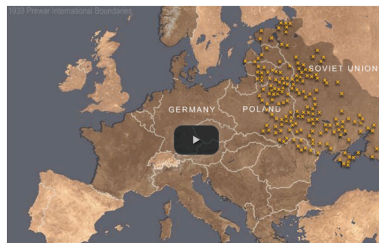
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Elie Wiesel
Nobel laureate

Sources

#1: [Glencoe Interactive](#)



#2: [Animated Map/Video](#)



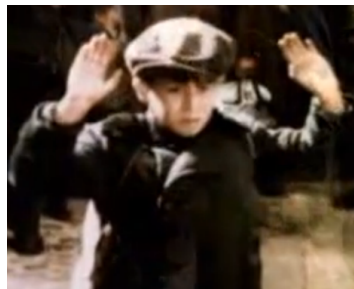
#3: [What Happened at Auschwitz](#)



#4: [Auschwitz After 65 Years](#)



#5: [WWII In Color: Inside Treblinka](#)



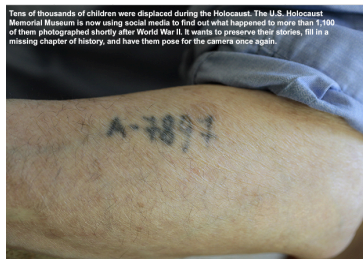
#6: [Kristallnacht: Time Magazine](#)



#7: [Liberation of Buchenwald](#)



#8: [Children of the Holocaust](#)



#9: [A Lifetime Surviving Auschwitz](#)



Questions: Answer in a different color; include the source number where you found the info

Define "Holocaust". What are the Greek origins of the two parts of this word?

When did Hitler come into power? He was the leader of what country?

What event began WWII and what year did it occur?

What methods were used to identify Jewish people?

What human rights were taken away from Jewish people?

What is "Kristallnacht"
(also known as The Night of Broken Glass")

What was a "ghetto"?

Where were most concentration camps located?

Other than Jews, what other groups of people were persecuted (forced into camps and killed) by the Nazis?

What is the irony behind the sign at the entrance to Auschwitz?

What year were the camps liberated (people set free)?

How many Jews were killed? How many total? What's the population of your home country? Do the math?

What's the age range of Holocaust survivors today, approximately? How old were they during the Holocaust? Why is this important to notice?

Briefly summarize the story of one of the survivors, including a memorable detail.

If you're interested in more...

[Survivor Stories](#)

[iWitness: Survivor Stories](#)

[Historical Videos](#)

["The Forger"](#) - video story of a man who rescued Jews (New York Times)