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**The Holocaust: A Background**



**Directions:**

Click on the following hyperlinks to help you complete the assignment. Parts II-VIII (Questions 2-16) will be covered in a series of videos found [here](http://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/education/video/hevt_whatis.asp) or by clicking on the title of each section. Additional information about each of the questions can be found by clicking on the hyperlinks.

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| 1. **Before Viewing: What is** [**Genocide**](https://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10007043)**?** | 1. The dictionary defines genocide as “the systematic killing of a racial or cultural group.” How does the [United Nations](http://www.un.org/en/preventgenocide/adviser/pdf/osapg_booklet_eng.pdf) define genocide? |
| 1. **[The Holocaust:](http://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/education/video/hevt_whatis.asp)** | 1. What was the goal of the German Nazis during the events that came to be known as the Holocaust? |
| 1. How did the [German Nazis](http://www.history.com/topics/world-war-ii/nazi-party) see the Jews? |
| 1. [**The Nazi Rise to Power:**](http://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/education/video/hevt_whatis.asp) | 1. When did the [Nazis come into power](https://www.ushmm.org/outreach/en/article.php?ModuleId=10007671) in Germany? |
| 1. When the Nazis came into power [how many millions of Jews were there worldwide](http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2015/02/09/europes-jewish-population/)? How many million in Europe? |
| 1. Describe how the Germans defined the [Aryan race](https://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10007457) in your own words. |
| 1. **[Separation, Exclusion, and Expulsion:](http://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/education/video/hevt_whatis.asp)** | 1. In November of 1938 the [“Kristallnacht Pogrom”](https://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005201) took place throughout Germany. What happened during Kristallnacht? |
| 1. What happened to most of the Jews who moved out of Germany? |
| 1. [**War and Territorial Expansion:**](http://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/education/video/hevt_whatis.asp) | 1. What [invasion](https://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005070) started World War II? When did this happen? |
| 1. Ghettos were designed as “holding pens” for the Jews of Eastern Europe. On October 12, 1940, the Germans decreed the establishment of the [Warsaw Ghetto](https://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005069). What did that decree require? |
| 1. [**“Operation Barbarossa” Systematic Murder Begins**](file:///C:\Users\Brooke\Dropbox\Holocaust_Unit_ELLIII\•%09http:\www.yadvashem.org\yv\en\education\video\hevt_whatis.asp) | 1. In what year did Germany break their peace treaty with the Soviets and [invade the Soviet Union](http://www.history.com/topics/world-war-ii/operation-barbarossa)? |
| 1. Who did the Germans believe was responsible for the creation of [communism](https://www.britannica.com/topic/Communist-Party-of-the-Soviet-Union)? |
| 1. [**“The Final Solution” Coalesces**](file:///C:\Users\Brooke\Dropbox\Holocaust_Unit_ELLIII\•%09http:\www.yadvashem.org\yv\en\education\video\hevt_whatis.asp) | 1. Within their first six months in the Soviet Union, how many Jews had the Germans murdered? |
| 1. What was [Zyklon B](http://www.historyplace.com/worldwar2/holocaust/h-zyklon.htm) originally used for? |
| 1. [**Perfecting Industrial Murder:**](file:///C:\Users\Brooke\Dropbox\Holocaust_Unit_ELLIII\•%09http:\www.yadvashem.org\yv\en\education\video\hevt_whatis.asp) | 1. What is the name of the largest concentration camp and industrial killing center? |
| 1. What were the [Death Marches out of Auschwitz?](https://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005162) |