

# HOLOCAUST WEBQUEST

Use the internet resource below to research the Holocaust and answer the questions. On a separate document, re-type the questions and answer them in your own words. Questions must be answered in significant detail using complete sentences. Back up your statements with your research and examples.

## RESOURCE TO USE

United States Holocaust Memorial Museum: <http://www.ushmm.org/learn>

## BACKGROUND

1. What was the Holocaust?
2. What does the word HOLOCAUST mean?
3. Define ANTI-SEMITISM.
4. Define POGROMS. What does the term refer to historically?
5. Define GENOCIDE. How did the word come into existence?
6. What were GHETTOS? Why did the Nazis establish them?

## CONCENTRATION CAMPS

7. Define CONCENTRATION CAMP. What was the purpose of the Nazi concentration camps?
8. Who was in charge of the concentration camps?
9. Select one concentration camp and provide a brief history of the camp.
  - List of camps: [http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Holocaust/major\\_camps.html](http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Holocaust/major_camps.html).
  - Use the [Holocaust Encyclopedia](http://www.ushmm.org/learn/holocaust-encyclopedia) (<http://www.ushmm.org/learn/holocaust-encyclopedia>) to help develop your answer.
10. What were the killing centers? How did they differ from concentration camps? What was the largest killing center and why? What was the FINAL SOLUTION?
11. Based on your research thus far, what do you think life was like in the concentration camps?

## VICTIMS

12. Approximately how many Jews lived in Europe prior to the outbreak of World War II? How many were killed as a result of the Holocaust? What other groups were targeted by the Nazis?
13. Who were the ROMA? Approximately how many were killed during the Holocaust?
14. Select a survivor from the list ([http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/media\\_list.php?MediaType=oh](http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/media_list.php?MediaType=oh)) and summarize his/her experience during the Holocaust.

## AFTERMATH

15. Describe what Allied troops found as they advanced through Nazi territory at the end of the war. (See <http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005131>).
16. What were the death marches?
17. What were the Nuremberg Trials? What were the outcomes? Provide specific examples.
18. Summarize what happened to Holocaust survivors following the end of World War II and how those events helped lead to the establishment of the nation of Israel.

## WHAT DO YOU THINK?

19. Select one picture from your holocaust research that left the greatest impression on you. Copy and paste the picture into your answer document. Explain the picture and describe how it impacted you.
20. How do YOU think we can avoid this type of event in the future?