

Part A – Historical Background

Define anti-Semitism.

Define Holocaust.

Define genocide.

Why were the Jewish people targeted by Hitler and the Nazi Party?

What is “the Final Solution?”

Define Kristallnacht.

What was Hitler’s purpose for establishing his policies, the camps, and the Final Solution?

Discuss the Nuremburg Race Laws (1935).

How many people were taken to concentration camps?

What is a ghetto? Describe the conditions in the Jewish ghettos.

What other groups of people did the Nazi’s persecute besides the Jews?

List some of the places where Jews hid from the Nazis.

Why did Hitler want Sweden to remain free?

What were “the Nuremburg Trials?”

Illustrate and describe the timeline of events (include 8-10 events) before and after the U.S. entered WWII:

Sept. 1939

May, 1945

Part B – Important Figures

Identify each of the following people and discuss the role each played in World War II and the Holocaust:

Adolf Hitler

Rudolf Hess

Heinreich Himmler

Josef Mengele

Part B – Important Figures (cont'd)

Joseph Goebbels

Hermann Goerring

The Gestapo

The SS

Einsatzgruppen

Part C – The Death Camps

When was the first concentration camp established?

Discuss the establishment, location, purpose, etc. for each of the following camps:

Auschwitz - Birkenau

Buna

Buchenwald

Dachau

When were the last concentration camps liberated (freed)? Who helped to liberate them?

Part D – Author Background

Where was Elie Wiesel born?

What language(s) did Elie speak at home? In his family's place of business?

How old was Elie when he was forced into a concentration camp by the Nazis?

Who was transported to the concentration camps with Elie?

How old was Elie when the war ended?

What was the original title of the novel, *Night*, before it was compressed into its current form?

How many books has Elie Wiesel authored to date?

What major award has the author won?

What cause does the author advocate and is considered an activist for today?

How old is Elie Wiesel today?