Holocaust Web Quest



Introduction

This activity has been developed to give you an opportunity to gain a better and complete understanding of what happened during the Holocaust.

The Quest

Your task is to learn about the Holocaust: Discover its history; discover bystanders, perpetrators, victims, and rescuers; learn about people, places, and important events; discover how the Holocaust started and what happened during the Holocaust from the Rise of the Nazis to *Kristallnacht* to Life in the *Ghetto* to the Camps to Liberation; learn about Liberators and WWII in general; discover some information on Judaism; become educated about an important part of history.

You will be using given web sites to answer the following questions. It is your job to look through the sites to find the actual answers.

Questions should be answered on a separate piece of paper and in depth. You can find the answer to each question at the website provided.

- 1. Briefly discuss traditional hatred of the Jews. http://www1.yadvashem.org/odot_pdf/Microsoft%20Word%20-%205742.pdf
- 2. Describe Kristallnacht and the Nuremburg laws. http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Holocaust/kristallnacht.html http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Holocaust/nurlaws.html
- 3. Pick one of the survivors and sum up their story in 2 paragraphs. (A paragraph is 5 or more sentences!) http://www.holocaustsurvivors.org/survivors.php
- 4. Who was targeted during the Holocaust? http://www.kawvalley.k12.ks.us/schools/rjh/marneyg/04 holocaust-projects/04 amack victims.htm
- 5. Summarize Heinrich Himmler's role in the Holocaust. http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10007407
- 6. Describe the life of a person that was contained in one of the Jewish concentration camps. Describe what daily life was like for them.

http://www.jewishgen.org/forgottencamps/camps/dayeng.html

- 7. What does C.A.N.D.E.L.S. stand for?
 Who was Mengele and what was he know for?
 http://www.candlesholocaustmuseum.org/ Click on the "About CANDELS" link
- 8. State the position of the United States during, after, and prior to the Holocaust. Why do you think they took this position? http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/
- 9. Concentration camps. http://history1900s.about.com/library/holocaust/blmap.htm

This site has a map of all the concentration and extermination camps.

- A. What was the camp to the furthest point north?
- B. Where was the first camp built? 3. Which country had the most camps?
- 10. Go to: http://fcit.usf.edu/holocaust/resource/gallery/gallery1.htm

Look at the photo galleries for Auschwitz-Birkenau and Dachau.

What disturbed you most about these photographs?

11. Go to http://history1900s.about.com/library/holocaust/blchart.htm

This chart shows all the camps, concentration and extermination.

- A. What was the difference?
- B. How many did the U.S. shut down?