

The Holocaust

Outcome: Healing



1. Setting the Stage

- The Holocaust mostly ended with the _____ in May 1945
- _____ million Jews had been _____ and survivors had to start over
- Hitler _____ before Germany surrendered leaving countless others to take the blame and punishment for his orders

2. Liberation of the Camps

- The _____ liberated many of the camps as they pushed in from the East
- When Allied troops found the camps, they had _____ what they were dealing with
- Many remaining Nazi camp _____, or camp leaders, fled

3. Role of the German citizens: Were they aware of the full situation?

- Truth is: some _____, others _____
- It was _____ and dangerous to _____ Hitler & the Nazis
- _____ was strong and many turned a blind eye
- Some like _____ risked their lives to help Jews find refuge

4. What was next for the Jews?

- Wives, husbands, sons, daughters were _____; finding _____ was not easy
- Just because the Holocaust was officially over didn't mean Anti-Semitism _____
- _____ of stolen goods and homes were _____
- Very few got _____ or _____ back; many were quite wealthy before relocation
- Many Jews _____ Europe

5. Creation of Israel

- Israel is at the _____ tip of the _____ Sea; was the promised land of the Ancient _____
- Israel declared itself a nation in _____; source of major _____ to this day
- _____ % of the World's Jewish population live in Israel today



6. Nuremberg Trials

- Many camp leaders and Nazis were put on trial for _____
- _____, Commandant of Auschwitz, was hanged after a 3 week trial
- _____ escaped to South America and was snatched by Israeli troops 15 years later and sentenced to death after a 4 month trial
- _____ committed suicide with a potassium cyanide capsule shortly after arrest and before he would stand trial at Nuremberg
- _____ escaped to Argentina; died years later under name Wolfgang Gerhard
- Of over 7000 _____ guards who worked at Auschwitz and survived, fewer than 800 were ever put on trial and _____ % of those involved were never prosecuted

7. Deniers of the Holocaust



- a. Proof that Anti-Semitism still exists, some deny the Holocaust _____
- b. Holocaust deniers are often those _____ about Israel's independence and occupation of _____ lands
- c. Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, leader of _____, is a denier of the Holocaust and is allegedly pursuing _____ weapons for Iran

8. Lessons for Today

- a. The power of a _____ is one our country is strongly opposed to
- b. _____ prevents such things; hopefully (Japanese internment camps??)
- c. Genocide _____ with the Holocaust
- d. _____ and _____ in Africa have seen hundreds of thousands slaughtered at the hands of corrupt governments and rival tribes
- e. Studying the Holocaust teaches us the power of unity and the atrocities that can be brought on by hatred and _____
- f. The _____ in Washington D.C. is great place to see real artifacts, stories, and to honor those who suffered at the hands of the Nazis

Conclusion: The Holocaust is not ancient history. These events are _____ in our world and if we take the time to understand how these events can unfold, then we have the power and _____ to stop them from happening.