

## Holocaust Survivor Project

Night introduces us to a survivor of the Holocaust, but he is not the only survivor. For this project, you will create a survivor. You'll gather research, write a two-typed page double spaced biography, write a one page letter to a friend or family member, and create projects of your choice on your survivor. Each group\* will present their "survivor" to the class in a brief presentation.

*\*Groups cannot be more than two students. Each member is responsible for an equal amount of work (the group will decide what is "equal" based on individual needs).*

### Project Choices

Choose **at least one** project from **each** column. (Each group will have two different projects.) Please keep in mind I am looking for you to research not only about the Holocaust, but the time period as well. Each project should be something created by your "survivor" and link directly to his or her experiences during the Holocaust.

Group A	Group B
News article	Poem
Editorial	Fictional story
Documentary	Anecdote
Journal entry	Advertisement
Interview	Song lyrics
Newsletter/newspaper	Dictionary of terms
Memo	TV script
Report	Product package
Timeline	Scene from a play
Collage	Radio script
Travel brochure	Map
Bulletin board	Original comic strip
Character map	Poster
Montage	Journal or diary
Cooking/recipes	Floor plan
Painting	Scrapbook
Experiment	Puzzle
Pamphlet	Children's book

Websites of interest:

- <http://www.ushmm.org/>
- <http://www.holocaustresearchproject.org/survivor/>
- <http://www.holocaustsurvivors.org/>

*This list is not the only websites available. There are hundreds! Remember, you are creating a survivor, but you should base your fictional character on facts, and these true stories may help you.*

### The Writing

- Remember, you need to write a biography about your survivor. A helpful device would be to use the Chronology of Events leading up to the Holocaust (<http://www.ushmm.org/education/foreducators/resource/pdf/chronology.pdf>). Was your survivor a

shop owner? A teacher? How does your survivor relate to the chronology of events of the Holocaust? Your biography should also include information about your individual projects. *Everything has to be related to your survivor's experience, which will be based in the research you find!*

- You need to write at least one-typed page letter from your survivor to a friend, relative or spouse about your survivor's Holocaust experience. Does your survivor even know if his/her recipient of the letter is even alive? Some students have burned the edges of their letters to represent some traumatic event the letter endured.
- Include a Works Cited page (using MLA format) that includes each source you get information from. Look in your textbooks, or perform a search on the internet to be sure you have the correct format. (Elements of Language page 224 and 238)

Wait, what are we doing?

1. Create a survivor of the Holocaust
2. Write a two-page typed biography of the survivor
3. Write a letter *from* the survivor to someone he or she knows
4. Choose one project from group A and B and create it from the survivor's perspective. This will take some creative thinking and **MUST** relate to your survivor's biography.
5. Works Cited page
6. **Place everything in a folder, binder, diary, etc. All items should be together in some creative way that ties in with your projects.**

Presentations and projects are due \_\_\_\_\_

As always, a rubric to keep you on track!

Group works well together	10 points
Biography is two pages typed, and includes essential information about "survivor" and includes evidence of research	20 points
Personal letter from survivor is relevant and realistic, and includes evidence of research	20 points
Writing is free of errors	5 points
Works cited page is correct and includes at least three sources (one must be a print source)	15 points
Group chooses one project from each column	5 points
Projects show effort and are not just thrown together	10 points
Projects are appropriate to survivor and show evidence of research	20 points
Presentation thoroughly explains survivor and projects	20 points
<b>Total</b>	<b>125 points</b>