

Holocaust and Genocide

UNIT/ Weeks	Timeline/Topics	Essential Questions
2	History of the Jewish People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God's Calling of Abraham and His Chosen People • The Nation of Israel • The Fall of Jerusalem • Jewish Diaspora • Jews as Outsiders in Europe • Anti-Semitism in the Middle Ages • The Dreyfuss Affair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does it mean to be Jewish? • What does it mean to be God's "Chosen People"? • How did Jews function in Christian Europe? • How did anti-Semitism develop?
2	Modern Germany <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Otto von Bismarck • Unification of Germany • Germanic People and Culture • Struggle to Dominate Europe • Causes of World War I • Treaty of Versailles • The "Stab-in-the-Back" Theory • Weimar Republic • Economic Collapse • Radical Politics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What key elements of German history contributed to the ideology and culture of modern Germany? • How did Germany become an autocratic society? • What were the causes of World War I and its effects on Europe? • How were Jews made to be the scapegoat for Germany's defeat? • How did the Treaty of Versailles punish Germany? • What were the principles of the Weimar Republic, its weaknesses, and the causes of its collapse? • How did the results of World War I contribute to the rise of the Third Reich?
4	The Rise of the Third Reich <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radical Political Parties in the Weimar Republic • Hitler's Background • Beer Hall Putsch • Mein Kampf • Nazi Party • Election of 1932 • Nazi Propaganda • Joseph Goebbels • Nuremberg Rallies • Nuremberg Laws • Kristallnacht • Anschluss • Appeasement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe the social, political and economic climate of Weimar Germany. • Discuss Hitler's background and ideology. • What were the core tenets of the Nazi movement? • What tactics did the Nazis use to achieve power? • How did Hitler establish totalitarianism in Germany? • Why did Hitler receive admiration and devotion from the German people?
6	The Holocaust <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concentration Camps - Dachau • Ghettos • <i>Einsatzgruppen</i> (Mobile Killing Squads) • Wannsee Conference • The Final Solution • Death Camps - Auschwitz • Nuremberg Trials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What were the purpose, locations, methods and results of the concentration camps? • Who were the <i>Einsatzgruppen</i>? What were their methods? Where did they operate? • What is a ghetto? • What was the purpose of the Wannsee Conference?

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What was the Final Solution to the Jewish problem? • What is the legacy of the Holocaust?
4	<p>Other Historical Genocides</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Armenia • Ukraine • Cambodia • Rwanda • Bosnia • Darfur 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other than the Holocaust, what other genocides took place in the 20th century? • What genocides are taking place today? • How is genocide different than an atrocity? • How has the international community responded to modern genocides? • What measures can be taken to prevent future genocides?