Genocide and the Holocaust

Estimated Genocide
1900 to 2005

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1. Burma 5,000
2. Ethiopia 10,000
3. Yugoslavia 10,000
4. Iran 20,000
5. Syria 30,000
6. Somalia 50,000
7. Philippines 60,000
8. Iraq 240,000
9. Vietnam 500,000
10. India 1,000,000
11. Turkey 1,500,000
12. Cambodia 1,700,000
13. Afghanistan 1,800,000
14. Sudan 2,850,000
15. Pakistan 3,010,000
I. Armenian Genocide

A. Armenians – Christian group from Caucasus region conquered by Ottoman Empire in 1400s

B. April 1915: Turks attempted to expel and kill

1. over 1 million killed
What you think the speaker is trying to tell his friend:

• He’s... humiliated my race,... turned my friends against me,... —and why? Because I’m a Jew. Does not a Jew have eyes? Does not a Jew have hands,... feelings? Does not a Jew... get hurt with the same weapons, get sick with the same diseases...? If you prick us with a pin, do we not bleed? If you tickle us, do we not laugh? If you poison us, do we not die?

*Merchant of Venice*, Shakespeare 1598
They came for the Communists, and I didn't object
- For I wasn't a Communist;
They came for the labour leaders, and I didn't object
- For I wasn't a labour leader;
They came for the Jews, and I didn't object
- For I wasn't a Jew;
They came for the Catholics, And I didn’t object
- For I wasn’t a Catholic;
Then they came for me -And there was no one left to object.
definitions...

• Genocide – killing of an entire group of people because of who they are or what they believe

• Holocaust – mass murder of Jewish people by the Nazis in the 1930s and 1940s
More definitions...

• Aryan Race – Hitler defined as the “master race” superior to other groups of people

• Anti-Semitism – prejudice against Jewish people
II. Prejudice against Jews in Europe before Hitler

A. Jews forced out of their homeland

B. moved in large numbers to other parts of Europe

1. Europeans blamed Jews for problems
III. Hitler used people’s prejudice / fears to take power / control people

A. followed ideas of Social Darwinism

1. German “Aryans” = racially ___
2. Jews, Africans, and Gypsies = ___
IV. Hitler’s Goals

A. create a Third Reich in Europe

B. wanted to create “lebensraum” for Germans
   1. take more land in Europe to give Germans
C. followed Eugenics movement

1. improve humans by ______ ______
2. forced sterilization of people with “defects”
V. Used propaganda against Jews
   A. Hitler blamed Jews for the economic troubles

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   B. Hitler connected Jews to the Russian Revolution and communism

   From an anti-Semitic children's book. The sign reads "Jews are not wanted here"
Timeline of the Holocaust

Start notes on a new page in your notebook
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I. 1933

A. boycott Jewish businesses
B. book burnings
C. defined “non-Aryans”
D. first concentration camps built
   1. built to house political undesirables
      a. (restate # 1 in your own words)
II. 1935

A. Nuremberg Race Laws passed

B. Jews not allowed to

1. marry / have sex with Aryans
2. hire Aryan women as maids
3. have rights of citizenship

C. laws were intended to ______
III. 1936
A. Olympic games in Berlin

IV. 1937
A. Jews not allowed to teach German students, be accountants or dentists
B. “Eternal Jew” exhibit shown in Germany
   1. warned Germans not to trust Jews - connected them with communists
V. 1938

A. Nazi troops occupied Austria
B. Jews over 15 required to have ID
C. League of Nations couldn’t find countries to accept Jewish refugees
D. Kristallnacht – “night of broken glass” Nov. 9th
   a. Jewish businesses and synagogues destroyed
VI. 1939

A. Jews forced to surrender gold and silver to government
B. Jews forced to live in walled off ghettos
C. Nazi troops seized Czechoslovakia
D. Germany invaded Poland – WWII STARTS
   1. over 3 million Jews, largest population of Jews in Europe
E. Jews forced to wear yellow stars to easily be identified
VII. 1940

A. Jews in ghettos
   1. a walled off part of a city
   2. densely populated
   3. very little resources

B. German Jews are deported to Poland
VIII. Holocaust Denial

A. Claims that genocide did not take place

B. Illegal in Israel, France, Germany, Austria, Hungary

C. Variations:
   1. Dispute total number
   2. Don’t believe gassing took place
   3. Claims of doctored pictures