

Objective

By the end of this lesson, Georgia will have a comprehensive understanding of the Holocaust, including its historical context, key events, and the impact it had on individuals and society. She will also reflect on the importance of remembrance and tolerance in today's world.

Materials and Prep

- Notebook and pen for taking notes
- Access to a computer or tablet for research
- Art supplies (colored pencils, markers, paper) for creative activities
- Quiet space for reflection and discussion
- Prior knowledge of World War II and basic geography of Europe

Activities

- **Timeline Creation:**

Georgia will create a timeline of key events during the Holocaust, including the rise of the Nazi Party, the establishment of concentration camps, and major resistance movements. This will help her visualize the chronological order of events and understand their significance.

- **Character Exploration:**

Georgia will choose a historical figure from the Holocaust (e.g., Anne Frank, Elie Wiesel, Oskar Schindler) and create a character profile. She will research their life story, contributions, and experiences during the Holocaust, culminating in a brief presentation to share what she learned.

- **Artistic Reflection:**

Using her art supplies, Georgia will create a piece of art that reflects her feelings about the Holocaust. This could be a drawing, painting, or collage that symbolizes remembrance, hope, or resilience. She will then write a short paragraph explaining her artwork.

- **Discussion and Reflection:**

After completing the activities, Georgia will engage in a discussion about what she learned and how it relates to modern issues of discrimination and human rights. This will encourage critical thinking and personal connection to the material.

Talking Points

- "The Holocaust was a systematic, state-sponsored persecution and murder of six million Jews by the Nazi regime and its allies. It's crucial to understand the scale and impact of such a tragedy."
- "Why do you think it's important to learn about events like the Holocaust? It helps us recognize the consequences of hatred and intolerance in society."
- "Consider the stories of individuals like Anne Frank. Her diary gives us a personal glimpse into

the lives affected by the Holocaust. What emotions do you feel when reading her words?"

- "The Holocaust reminds us of the importance of standing up against injustice. How can we apply the lessons learned from this period to our lives today?"
- "In what ways can we honor the memory of those who suffered during the Holocaust? Remembering their stories helps ensure that such atrocities never happen again."