

HOLOCAUST E s s a y C o n t e s t

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TOPIC: *During World War II, many countries were occupied or influenced by the Nazis. Discuss and give examples of how people in at least one country helped Jews. What do you think you would do in a similar situation and why?*

From 1933 to 1945 the Nazis ruled Germany. They were a political party that practiced brutality and the worst forms of bigotry and discrimination. During World War II, which they started in 1939, the Nazis engaged in the mass murder of civilians. Like other totalitarian governments, the Nazis sought to eliminate their social, political and religious enemies. An important goal was to exterminate all Jews in Europe. Ultimately, the Nazis murdered over thirteen million people, of whom about six million were Jews.

FORMAT	Essay (only acceptable form) - Not to exceed 1,200 words.
ELIGIBILITY	Open to all students: grades 7-8 (Division I); grades 9-12 (Division II)
DEADLINE	Entry must be postmarked no later than February 18, 2013. No entries will be accepted after 4:00 PM on this date.
AWARDS	The two winners in each division will be announced and presented on April 7, 2013 at the Day of Remembrance (Yom Hashoah) Commemoration , 3:00 PM, Harry & Rose Samson Family Jewish Community Center.
WINNERS	A trip to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum Washington, D.C. for the two winners in each division and a book donated to their school.

GUIDELINES

Each entry:

- **Must represent the independent research and writing of the student**
- 1,200 words or less
- Must be typed or printed, double spaced, on one side of the paper only
- Will be judged on originality, content, and quality of writing
- Remains the property of the JCC, which reserves the right to publish it in its entirety.
- Must be accompanied by a title page which contains the following information:
 - **On title page only – Student's Name***
 - Student home address, telephone number and email address
 - School name, address and telephone number
 - Name of teacher
 - Grade

***Your student's name or any other family identification (such as other family members' names) in the body of the essay will disqualify the essay.**

The contest will be judged by a committee composed of distinguished educators and community leaders.

ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED

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