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Why did the Holocaust happen?

Many people believed that the Jews were lower class and poor because of their religion. Throughout much of European history, violent outbursts had occurred in which Jews would be killed by mobs or their homes burned.

The Nazis were racists, Nazi writers would write stories about Jews and brought them together to an advertising campaign that convinced many people that the Jews were their enemies.

To great power over the country of Germany, Hitler continued to build on these and other "legends". His supporters would spread the idea that Jews and Germans were of different "Race" and that Jewish people were inferior. Hitler's goal was to then kill off everyone in Europe who was Jewish/Romani/ Etc. He then started to build camps and killed about 6 million Jews between 1941 and 1945.

What happened during the Holocaust?

During the Holocaust, the Romani people, ethnic Poles, Soviet citizens, Soviet prisoners of war, political opponents, homosexuals, and Jehovah's Witnesses were killed.

Any group which did not match the behaviour of the prescribed norms was targeted and subjected, often to torture and death. The atrocity largely took place between 1941 and 1945, but the initial persecution started in 1933.

Concentration and extermination camps were commonplace under the Nazi regime, with Auschwitz among the largest and most iconic. At that camp, an estimated 1.1 million people were killed including 960,000 Jews- most commonly in gas chambers, starvation, or disease.

What is the Holocaust?

The Holocaust, also know as the Shoah, was the genocide of European Jews during World War II. Between 1941 and 1945, Nazi Germany and its collaborators systematically murdered some 6 million Jews across German-occupied Europe, around two-thirds of Europe's Jewish population.

Interesting facts about the Holocaust

- Over 27,000 people tried to protect other people from the Nazis.
- Over 1 million children died during the Holocaust
- Over 11 million people were killed after the Holocaust
- The Holocaust in Hebrew is called the Shoah which means catastrophe

