Holocaust memorial day

Holocaust memorial day is held on 27 January each year.

It is the anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi concentration and extermination camp, Auschwitz-Birkenau – seen as a powerful symbol of the horrors of the Holocaust.

The date (27 January) has been chosen by the governments of a number of European countries, including Sweden, Italy, Germany, Finland, Denmark and Estonia, to commemorate the victims of the Holocaust.

Holocaust memorial day is distinct from Yom HaShoah, the Jewish day of remembrance for the Jewish victims of the Nazis that falls in late April.

Useful resources

Statement of commitment (word)

This statement has been developed for Holocaust memorial day.

Assembly (word)

Outline for assembly on Anne Frank's birthday on 12 June.

Survivor stories

Teaching resources from the Holocaust memorial day website.

Holocaust memorial day website

Official website for the memorial day with news, resources and event information.

A teacher's guide to the Holocaust

An overview of the people and events of the Holocaust.

Teaching about the Holocaust

Collection of links to resources.

Lesson plans

Holocaust education for children from kindergarten to fifth grade.

Holocaust education in the K4 classroom

Objectives and activities.

Genocide under the Nazis

A view of the Holocaust on the BBC website.

Primary school assembly on Holocaust memorial day

Resources for primary schools.

Secondary school assembly on Holocaust memorial day

Resources for high schools.

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- Yes
- Neutral
- No

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