

UCSB Hist 133D 2010, L 2:
Causes of Genocide

- **Roll call & Enrollment questions**
course websites: **Prof's & GauchoSpace**
- 1. Survey & Defining genocide
- 2. What was/is "the Holocaust"?
- 3. Causality in history: a model
- 4. Jews as a/the target group

Intro Survey

- What is genocide?
Define it and name some examples
(quick: 3 things that come to your mind)
- What is "the Holocaust"?
 - Define it and list some **images** that come to mind
 - Name some **people, places, events** (3 each)
- What do you *want* to learn in this course?
 - **Questions, keywords**

(I'll send a link to a **survey** that I'd like you to fill out)

Defining Genocide

- What do you need to define it?
 - Who: agents and objects
 - What: an act or actions (size?)
 - When: dates
 - Where: location
 - Why: reasons, causes, motivations
 - Significance / use of definition?

Genocide Definitions I

- **American Heritage Dictionary**: "The systematic, planned annihilation of a racial, political or cultural group."
- **USHMM**: "violent crimes committed against groups with the intent to destroy the existence of the group."
- **Wikipedia**: "the deliberate and systematic destruction, in whole or in part, of an ethnic, racial, religious, or national group."

Genocide Definition: UN

- 1948 UN CPPCG**: "any of the following acts committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnical, racial or religious [*or political*] group, as such:
- (a) Killing members of the group;
 - (b) Causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of the group;
 - (c) Deliberately inflicting on the group conditions of life, calculated to bring about its physical destruction in whole or in part;
 - (d) Imposing measures intended to prevent births within the group;
 - (e) Forcibly transferring children of the group to another group."

Defining Holocaust

- Who
 - What
 - When
 - Where
 - Why
- Images

Holocaust: Definitions

- **USHMM:** "The Holocaust was the systematic, bureaucratic, state-sponsored persecution and murder of approximately six million Jews by the Nazi regime and its collaborators."
- **Wikipedia:** "...the term generally used to describe the genocide of approximately six million European Jews during World War II, a program of systematic state-sponsored extermination by Nazi Germany."
- **Landau, 3:** "The Holocaust involved the deliberate, systematic murder of approximately 6 million Jews in Nazi-dominated Europe between 1941 and 1945."

"Genocide" on google images



Armenia (Winds of Jihad blog)



Armenia (warcrimes.info)



Rwanda (scrapetv.com)



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"Holocaust" on google images, 1/2010



Liberation of Buchenwald (also 2008)



Individual murder (also 2008)



Mass Grave (Belsen?) (new photo, same place)

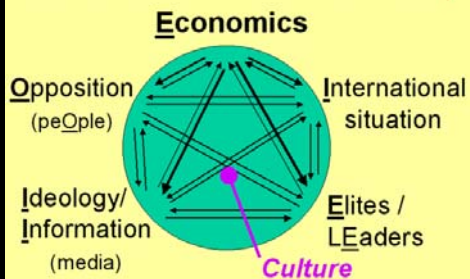
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"Auschwitz" on google images, 1/2010



EIEIO Model of Causes in History



Jews (as a/the target group)

- Definition / criteria (Landau p. 26):
 - Religious group (monotheism, ch. 2)
 - Racial group: "Hist. & biolog. nonsense"
 - Nation (vs. citizenship: French rev.)
 - Cultural group: "having a sense of continuity with the Jewish past."