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## The Holocaust: A Psychological Approach

Week 1: Introduction

Week 2: German Anti-Semitism

H. Walser Smith, The Butcher's Tale.  
S. Friedländer, Nazi Germany and the Jews, 1933-1939, pp.73-112.

recommended:

D. Goldhagen, Hitler's Willing Executioners, part 1.

Week 3: The First World War and After

S. Haffner, Defying Hitler, pp. 3-218.

Week 4: "A Beginning and an End"

S. Friedländer, Nazi Germany and the Jews, 1933-1939, pp. 1-72, 113-173.

recommended:

M. Kaplan, Between Dignity and Despair.

Week 5: "The Entrapment"

S. Friedländer, Nazi Germany and the Jews, 1933-1939, pp. 177-333.

recommended:

V. Klemperer, I Will Bear Witness, 2 vols.

C. Koonz, The Nazi Conscience.

R. Gellately, "The Gestapo and German Society: Political Denunciation in the Gestapo Case Files," Journal of Modern History 60 (1988): 654-694.

J. Herf, The Jewish Enemy.

## Week 6: Decision-Makers and Decision-Making

C. Browning, The Path to Genocide, pp. 3-56, 86-144.

C. Gerlach, "The Wannsee Conference, the Fate of German Jews, and Hitler's Decision in Principle to Exterminate All European Jews," Journal of Modern History 70 (1998): 759-812.

recommended:

C. Browning, The Origins of the Final Solution.

P. Burrin, Hitler and the Jews.

M. Roseman, The Villa, the Lake, the Meeting.

R. Breitman, The Architect of Genocide.

P. Longerich, The Unwritten Order.

I. Kershaw, Hitler, 2 vols.

## Week 7: The Plunge into Brutality

D. Goldhagen, Hitler's Willing Executioners, pp. 181-371.

recommended:

C. Browning, Ordinary Men (including Afterword).

S. Friedländer, Nazi Germany and the Jews, 1939-1945.

O. Bartov, Hitler's Army.

J. Gross, Neighbors.

M. Marrus and R. Paxton, Vichy France and the Jews.

S. Zuccotti, The Italians and the Holocaust.

J. Waller, Becoming Evil.

## Week 8: Desk Murderers

H. Arendt, Eichmann in Jerusalem.

recommended:

G. Sereny, Albert Speer.

## Week 9: The Camps

G. Sereny, Into That Darkness, pp. 93-286, 337-367.

recommended:

G. Horowitz, In the Shadow of Death.  
W. Sofsky, The Order of Terror.  
H. V. Dicks, Licensed Mass Murder.  
R. Lifton, The Nazi Doctors.  
P. Levi, Survival in Auschwitz.

Week 10: Recalling

P. Levi, The Drowned and the Saved.

recommended:

S. Friedländer, ed., Probing the Limits of Representation.  
Y. Bauer, Rethinking the Holocaust.  
I. Clendinnen, Reading the Holocaust.  
J. Herf, Divided Memory.  
P. Novick, The Holocaust in American Life.