

**Holocaust Education for
English Language Learners:**

Canadian Witness
to the Holocaust

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Consider the importance of hearing survivor testimony directly from a survivor. As Elie Wiesel says, "When you listen to a witness, you become a witness." As you listen to the experiences of these survivors, think about how you will continue to teach their message and share their experience.

Activity 1: Collect

Choose **four** of the following survivors and search their testimonies for specific themes, or experiences that you are particularly interested in. Some examples of themes include: food, hunger, resistance, family, danger, hiding, or school. There are many themes to consider, and you can repeat this activity by choosing another theme. Pay particular attention to the language used to describe the experiences. Are there particular words or expressions that you want to learn more about or that were used to convey a meaning(s) that you were unfamiliar with? Were there any words used that made a particular impact on you? Did the survivors identify any specific hopes for the future or how future generations will remember the Holocaust?

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| Amek Adler | Vera Schiff | Pinchas Gutter | Nate Leipziger |
| Moses Kantorowitz | Felicia Carmelly | Judith Rubinstein | Roman Ziegler |
| Leizer Hoffer | Anita Ekstein | Faye Schulman | Elsa Chandler |
| Dennis Urstein | Gerda Frieberg | Ernest Weiss | Howard Chandler |
| Faigie Libman | Lasar Gotz | George Scott | Elizabeth Feldman de Jong |
| Max Eisen | William Glied | Magda Hilf | Esther Bem |

Activity 2: Construct

Using a maple leaf as the background, select at least 8 quotes from the survivors that describe their life as they immigrated to Canada after the Holocaust and add them to the Canadian flag. Be sure to include the survivors' names on the flag.

Activity 3: Communicate

Answer the following question as you reflect on the project you created with the Canadian maple leaf: What does living in a free, democratic country mean to you? Add this quote to your maple leaf with your name.



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Communicate



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