



Eyewitness to History: A Holocaust Survivor Speaks

Jack Adler: Countering Hate with Respect



Jack Adler was born in Poland in 1929. He witnessed the decay of humanity while enduring life in two ghettos and the horrors of three concentration camps. His younger sister was killed at Auschwitz, his older sister died at Bergen-Belsen, his brother and mother died in the Pabianice ghetto in Poland, and his father in Dachau. At 16, he was liberated by American soldiers and moved to the U.S. as a war orphan.

Jack now speaks all over the United States and internationally to spread his message of living without hate. Though his entire family was murdered by the Nazis, he still has hope for the human race and emphasizes the importance of respecting others. Jack's take on hatred, racism, bigotry, and misused religious beliefs challenges audiences to analyze their own beliefs and adhere to the principles of the Golden Rule: treat others as we ourselves want to be treated.

To learn more about Jack, you can read his book [Y: A Holocaust Narrative](#) or watch [Surviving Skokie](#), a film produced by Jack's son.

Questions to Consider

How and why did ordinary people across Europe contribute to the persecution of their Jewish neighbors?

Why should we learn about the Holocaust and genocides throughout history today even if it is difficult to do so? What lessons can we learn from Jack's testimony?

How can we do a better job of respecting humanity today, both as individuals and as society?



Mizel Museum Virtual Programs Colorado Academic Standards *Eyewitness to History: A Holocaust Survivor Speaks (9th-12th Grades)*

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- SS22-GR.HS-S.1-GLE.3
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Paula Burger: A Young Girl Among the Bielski Partisans

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Rudi Florian: Propaganda & Personal Responsibility

- CH20-GR.HS-S.3-GLE.3
- CH20-GR.HS-S.4-GLE.5
- CH20-GR.HS-S.4-GLE.7
- CH20-GR.HS-S.4-GLE.9
- RW20-GR.H1-S.2-GLE.2
- RW20-GR.H2-S.2-GLE.2
- SS22-GR.HS-S.1-GLE.1
- SS22-GR.HS-S.1-GLE.3
- SS22-GR.HS-S.2-GLE.3
- SS22-GR.HS-S.4-GLE.2
- SS22-GR.HS-S.4-GLE.3
- VA20-GR.HS-S.4-GLE.1

Osi Sladek: A Courageous Escape from Hate

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6th Grade

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- SS22-GR.6-S.1-GLE.1
- SS22-GR.6-S.1-GLE.2
- SS22-GR.6-S.4-GLE.1
- SS22-GR.6-S.4-GLE.2

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- CH20-GR.6-S.4-GLE.3
- SS22-GR.6-S.1-GLE.1
- SS22-GR.6-S.1-GLE.2
- SS22-GR.6-S.4-GLE.1
- SS22-GR.6-S.4-GLE.2

Paula Burger: A Young Girl Among the Bielski Partisans

- CH20-GR.6-S.3-GLE.1
- CH20-GR.6-S.4-GLE.3
- SS22-GR.6-S.1-GLE.1
- SS22-GR.6-S.1-GLE.2
- SS22-GR.6-S.4-GLE.2

Rudi Florian: Propaganda & Personal Responsibility

- CH20-GR.6-S.4-GLE.3
- SS22-GR.6-S.1-GLE.1
- SS22-GR.6-S.1-GLE.2
- SS22-GR.6-S.4-GLE.1
- SS22-GR.6-S.4-GLE.2
- RW20-GR.6-S.2-GLE.2
- VA20-GR.6-S.4-GLE.1
- VA20-GR.6-S.4-GLE.3

Osi Sladek: A Courageous Escape from Hate

- CH2-GR.6-S.3-GLE.1
- CH2-GR.6-S.4-GLE.3
- SS22-GR.6-S.1-GLE.1
- SS22-GR.6-S.1-GLE.2
- SS22-GR.6-S.3-GLE.1
- SS22-GR.6-S.4-GLE.1
- SS22-GR.6-S.4-GLE.2



7th Grade

Jack Adler: A Slave Laborer in the Holocaust

- CH20-GR.7-S.4-GLE.2

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Paula Burger: A Young Girl Among the Bielski Partisans

- CH20-GR.7-S.4-GLE.2

Rudi Florian: Propaganda & Personal Responsibility

- CH20-GR.7-S.4-GLE.2
- RW20-GR.7-S.2-GLE.2
- VA20-GR.7-S.4-GLE.1
- VA20-GR.7-S.4-GLE.2

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8th Grade

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