

LESSON PLAN

LEARNING FROM THE PAST

Exploring SHOAH STORIES at Home



English



Germany



Education



14-19 years



30 min

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OBJECTIVE

To engage students in Holocaust education by having them explore personal connections to Holocaust testimonies and digital narratives before the classroom lesson.

SHOAH STORIES

Instructions for Teachers:

Assignment Context:

5 min

Explain to students that in the next class, you will start exploring the history and lessons of the Holocaust. As a preparation, they will complete a reflective homework assignment that involves visiting the SHOAH STORIES platform.

Student Task:

10 min

For homework, students should:

- Visit the SHOAH STORIES website and explore the collection of short videos and survivor testimonies.
- Choose one video or testimony that they find particularly moving or meaningful.
- Reflect on why this video stood out to them. Encourage them to write a short paragraph or bullet points on what emotions or thoughts the video triggered and why they believe it is important.

Classroom Follow-Up:

15 min

In the next class, begin with a round of sharing. Each student can briefly share which video they chose and why. Use these reflections as a springboard into deeper discussions about the personal stories and historical contexts of the Holocaust, laying the groundwork for your planned lesson units.