



AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY ACTIVITY

PINCHAS GUTTER

Instructions: Use information gathered from recollections to fill in the blanks and answer the questions on the worksheet. Each fill-in-the-blank and question has an answer in the recollections. Each time you use a recollection to answer a question, add it to *My Collection* by tapping or clicking *Collect*. You should end up with ten recollections in *My Collection*.

You can find additional information about each recollection, including location, date and glossary terms, by tapping or clicking *More Info*.

The recollections are in chronological order, and the questions are in chronological order.

1. Pinchas lived with his family in the city of _____, in Poland. How does he describe the sound and smell associated with his earliest memory of his father?

2. When he was growing up in Poland, Pinchas experienced antisemitism. What is antisemitism, and how did the Polish Christian boys in his neighbourhood demonstrate it?

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3. Pinchas was _____ years old when World War II broke out and the German army occupied Poland. When did he first come into contact with Germans?

4. Life in the Warsaw ghetto was an “apocalyptic hell,” according to Pinchas. List three things Pinchas saw in the ghetto that have remained painfully clear in his mind:

5. The Warsaw Ghetto Uprising occurred on April 19, 19____, which was also the first night of the Jewish holiday called _____. How did some Jews maintain their faith even in the extreme circumstances of the uprising?

6. In May 1943, when Pinchas and his family arrived at Majdanek concentration camp and killing site, his family was separated. How does Pinchas describe the last time he saw his sister?

7. When Pinchas was imprisoned in a labour camp, he met a man named Rabbi _____, who had studied with his father. What religious ceremony did he secretly perform on Pinchas in the camp?

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8. Pinchas was liberated in May 1945 from the transit camp/ghetto called _____. How did he feel at the end of the war?

9. In 19____, Pinchas and his family immigrated to Canada. What sentiment did Pinchas feel when he first visited Canada that made him want to move there?

10. Why is it important for Pinchas to share his story with students?
