

Study Guide – *Schindler's List*

1. What do you think the candles at the beginning of *Schindler's List* are representative of?
2. What party was Oskar Schindler a member of?
3. What did Stern do for the Jewish workers in order for them to work at Schindler's factory even though they were not skilled workers?
4. What kind of lifestyle did Oskar Schindler lead?
5. Why was the Jewish female architect shot? What did Amon Goeth order to be done after she was shot?
6. Name three places that the Jews hid during the liquidation of the ghetto. What eventually happened to most of them who tried to hide?
7. What is the significance of the girl in the red coat? Why did the director, Steven Spielberg, choose to picture this little girl in red?
8. What did Schindler get in exchange for his possessions (lighter, cigarette case, watch)?
9. What did Schindler tell Amon Goeth about "power"? How did his behavior change for a short while after that conversation?
10. How did Schindler get the Jewish workers he wanted for his factory? What did he give up in exchange for his workers?
11. What happened to the women's train that was supposed to arrive in Schindler's hometown in Czechoslovakia?
12. Would Schindler consider himself to be a hero of the Holocaust? Why or why not?

Alternate Activity – Schindler’s List

Step 1 - Please visit the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum website (www.ushmm.org).

Step 2 - Please explore and review all elements of this website. Focus especially on the Education for Students and the Online Activities and Exhibits sections, but you are not limited to these areas. You will need to spend a significant amount of time researching the content and materials contained in this website. You must read the information. You must view the pictures. You must watch and listen to the multimedia files.

Step 3 – Please write 6 - 150 word summaries reviewing the content and quality of the website material. Each paragraph should answer one of the following topics:

- Summary #1 - What is the most interesting thing you discovered? Please explain why using specific details.
- Summary #2 – What is the most disappointing thing about the website? Please explain why using specific details.
- Summary #3 – What is the most interesting thing about the website? Please explain why using specific details.
- Summary #4 – If you had to recommend one section or activity for the rest of the class to explore, what would it be? Please explain using specific details.
- Summary #5 – If you could recommend one change to the website, what would it be? Please explain using specific details.
- Summary #6 – After exploring and analyzing the content of this website, do you think the punishment handed out to the Nazi leaders was appropriate for the crimes they committed? Please explain why using specific details.

This is to be completed and turned in when then class completes viewing *Schindler's List* and the corresponding study guide.