

Analysis Sheet for Historical Literature of the Holocaust

1. Describe the actions, locations, customs and cultural assumptions and aspects.
2. Is there symbolism, motif or theme present? Explain each one that you find with examples from the work.
3. Are historical circumstances specifically mentioned? What are they? Why are they important to this work?
4. Does the author describe conditions with photographic detail, or is he / she less concerned with pictorial details and more with human and political issues? Give specific examples from the book to support your answer.
5. What values do the characters display?
6. Are the characters religious or not? To what degree do religion or philosophical thoughts govern the actions of the characters?
7. What assumptions do you think the author had about the literary interests of the audience?