**Terms**

Genocide – The systematic and widespread extermination or attempted extermination of an entire national, racial, religious, or ethnic group

Ethnic Cleansing – systematic forced removal of ethnic or religious groups from a given territory

Refugee – One who flees in search of refuge, as in times of war, political oppression, or religious persecution

**History**

The Holocaust – genocide of six million Jews during World War II, led by Adolf Hitler and the Nazi Party, throughout the German-occupied territories

Adolph Hitler (1933) - German politician and the leader of the Nazi Party that started World War II and the Holocaust

World War I – catastrophic global war centered in Europe (1914-1918). Germany was blamed for the war.

The Great Depression (1930s) – worst economic downturn in western history. Businesses went bankrupt. Jobs were lost by many. People around the world suffered.

Blame – Hitler blamed the Jews for Germany losing WWI and the great depression.

Label – Jewish people were forced to identify themselves in public by wearing a yellow badge “the Star of David” ✡

Ghettos – to confine and segregate Jews and sometimes Gypsies into a usually tightly packed area within a city

Concentration Camps – place in which the government imprisoned Jews and others, and then systematically executed them

World War II – Second catastrophic global war, started by NAZI Germany.