Confronting Holocaust Denial

“No one will believe you” the Nazis said. That’s the sole lesson of Auschwitz-Birkenau: Believe.” – Howard Jacobson

Brainstorm: How do we know what we know about the Holocaust?

Who would deny the Holocaust and why?

1. The ______________ were the first deniers.

2. The ______________ Lobby incorporated the Institute for ______________ ______________ to create the largest anti-Jewish propaganda organization in the U.S.

Categories of Holocaust Distortion:

3. Holocaust ______________ (_____________________ the main facts of the Holocaust.)

4. Holocaust ______________ (Encouraging ______________ against Jews or Israel.)

5. Holocaust ______________ (Minimalization, ______________, or ______________ the Holocaust.)

6. Holocaust ______________ (Deny ______________ of specific ___________________/_______________.)
   ▪ Haj Amin al-Husseini:

7. Holocaust ______________/____________________

8. Holocaust ______________ (Targeting Jews or Israel as embodiment of _______________.)

9. Accusing Jews of Holocaust ______________

10. ________________/________________________ the Holocaust
Motives for Deniers:

Quiz: Responding to main Holocaust denier myths

- The Holocaust did not occur because there is no “master plan” for Jewish annihilation.

- Holocaust scholars rely on survivor testimonies because there is no objective documentation proving the Nazi genocide.

- There was no net loss of Jewish life between 1941 and 1945.

- How do you know the number of victims?

- There were no gas chambers used for mass murder at Auschwitz or other camps.