World War II – The Holocaust

Nazis had to take responsibility for war crimes during WW II

* Trials
* Crime against humanity
* Crimes against peace
* Conspiracy to commit these crimes

**The Geneva Convention**

* Rules to protect prisoners and civilians during war
* Nazis persecuted Jewish people
* All Jewish people were singled out – beginning 1941
* Jewish struggled to survive
* Hitler = Jewish problem and the solution was mass extermination of Jewish people in SS run concentrations camps
* **Auschwitz** – gas and slave labour concentration camps
* Nuremburg trials = Nazis and concentration camp commandants were put on trial for their crimes