1933 – 1945

Put the Events in Order

Name _____ Date _____

These 10 events from the Holocaust timeline are out of order. Write a number from 1 to 10 in each box, from the earliest event (1) to the latest (10).

☐ **Camps Liberated; War Ends**
Allied forces liberate the remaining camps including Auschwitz (January), Bergen-Belsen (April), and Dachau (April); Germany surrenders in May.

☐ **Nuremberg Trials**
Nazi leaders are tried at Nuremberg for war crimes and crimes against humanity; the trials establish that following orders is not a defense for participating in genocide.

☐ **Liberation Begins**
Allied forces advance on German-held territory; Soviet troops liberate the first death camp, Majdanek, in July 1944, revealing its full horror to the world.

☐ **The Death Camps**
Six purpose-built death camps in occupied Poland — including Auschwitz-Birkenau — receive trainloads of Jewish people from across Europe and kill most of them upon arrival.

☐ **Kristallnacht — Night of Broken Glass**
On November 9-10, Nazi-organized mobs attack Jewish homes, businesses, synagogues, and hospitals across Germany and Austria, killing dozens and destroying thousands of properties.

☐ **The Final Solution**
Nazi leaders coordinate a plan for the systematic murder of all Jewish people in Europe — what they called the Final Solution to the Jewish question.

☐ **World War II and Mass Killings Begin**
Germany invades Poland; the Nazis immediately begin mass shootings of Jewish people, intellectuals, and others in occupied territories.

☐ **Nuremberg Laws**
The Nazi government passes laws stripping Jewish Germans of citizenship and banning marriage or relationships between Jewish and non-Jewish people.

☐ **Hitler Takes Power**
Adolf Hitler is appointed Chancellor of Germany on January 30; the Nazi Party rapidly dismantles democratic institutions and takes total control.

☐ **First Concentration Camps**
The Nazis open Dachau, the first concentration camp, initially to imprison political opponents, trade union leaders, and others who resisted Nazi rule.

1933 – 1945

Put the Events in Order: Answer Key

1933 — 1. Hitler Takes Power

1933 — 2. First Concentration Camps

1935 — 3. Nuremberg Laws

1938 — 4. Kristallnacht — Night of Broken Glass

1939 — 5. World War II and Mass Killings Begin

1941–42 — 6. The Final Solution

1942–44 — 7. The Death Camps

1944 — 8. Liberation Begins

1945 — 9. Camps Liberated; War Ends

1945–46 — 10. Nuremberg Trials