

### **Harkness Holocaust Discussion Questions**

1. Who is responsible for the Holocaust? Why?
2. Why do you think the Holocaust is so well-known today?
3. How can people be so cruel to one another?
4. How do people come to see other people as sub-human? Have you ever de-humanized another person?
5. Could the Holocaust have happened if there hadn't been silent bystanders? In other words, if the bystanders had said something, would the Holocaust have happened?
6. Would the Holocaust have been possible without modern technology?
7. Is fear of punishment for speaking out enough to absolve people of guilt?
8. Why didn't the Allies act to save the Jews?
9. Does social media and technology make another genocide more or less likely?
10. Where does hate come from? How did Hitler turn fears into hatred? Does this happen today?
11. Does the Holocaust still shape the world today?
12. If you are a soldier and ordered to do something morally wrong, what would you do?
13. If you shot an entire village because you were ordered to, how would you cope?