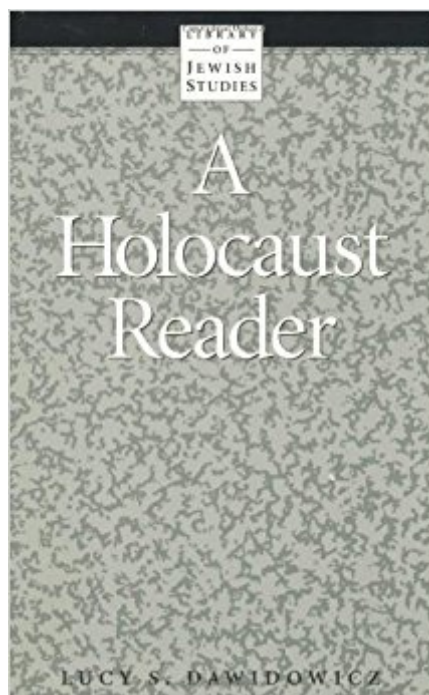


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This collection of documents has allowed me and my high-school history students to explore the record of Nazi atrocities, thanks to the author's insightful editorial comments. Part One - "The Final Solution" deals with the Nazis' plan to exterminate the Jews of Europe, including pieces of Nazi legislation, minutes from meetings, and various orders. Part Two - "The Holocaust" - presents a Jewish perspective of life in Germany from 1933-1939, of the ghettos in eastern Europe, and the ordeals of deportation. I have yet to find a finer book in terms of providing a succinct collection of Holocaust-related documents. It has worked well for me and my students in collaboration with reading Raul Hilberg's *The Destruction of the European Jews*.

This book was expertly compiled from primary source documents concerning Jews, Nazis, and the Holocaust. The types of documents range from personal accounts to govt. papers. There is a very wide variety of types and subject matter. The reading level varies from piece to piece. This book is good for historical research, term papers, and documentation. I highly recommend this book, but not to read straight through just for fun.

A Holocaust Reader is an excellent collection of source materials. The book is divided into eight

sections, more or less chronological, on the different stages of the disaster, starting with German anti-semitism in 1880, and running through the mass deportations of the Jews and Jewish resistance. Each section is preceded by a 3 or 4 page summary that helps the reader approach the documents with better understanding. The book has only two maps, a shortcoming for people like me who want a better idea of where things took place. But on the more positive side, it provides well documented source information and suggestions for further reading. I also found an appendix estimating the number of Jews killed in the final solution by country of origin to be helpful. This is an excellent book for fleshing out other Holocaust readings and by giving insight into the lives of real people during that time.

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