
Holocaust Survivors of South Jersey Project - Teaching Resources

Center 4 Directions

In this activity, you will be examining primary sources provided by Stockton University used for their Holocaust Survivors of Southern New Jersey Project. Click this [link](#) to read more about the project and various Holocaust survivors highlighted on their page. Follow the steps for this hyper doc assignment to use these primary sources and supplement them with credible secondary sources that you find.

- In this [folder](#), there are various primary sources including a German passport, a ship manifest, deportation camp records, naturalization documents, and photographs. Flip through the various documents to get a sense of what type of information is available on them.
- This United States Holocaust Memorial Museum [article](#) explains the types of documents and requirements that people must have in order to emigrate to the United States. Read the article and note what types of documents were required and which of those are in the primary source folder.
- The University of California, Los Angeles published a [guide](#) for distinguishing between primary and secondary sources. Review the guide before moving on to the task.

The goal of this assignment is to evaluate the primary sources available in the provided folder and use the historical context of the documents to locate secondary sources to support them. In the primary source column, there is the title of the image that is in the folder. Review the document and search for a supplementary secondary source. Place a hyperlink to that source in the second column where it says “Corresponding Secondary Source.” In the third column under “connection” write a brief explanation of why the secondary source connects to the primary source. For example, if the document is from a Displaced Persons Camp, you might find an article that describes the conditions of the camps to provide further information on the document.

Here are some credible websites for secondary sources to look through:

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum [Encyclopedia & List](#) of Passengers of the St. Louis

[Yad Vashem](#)- The World Holocaust Remembrance Center

[JSTOR](#)

Facing History and Ourselves [Resource Library](#)

Primary Source	Secondary Source	Connection
Bertold Wiersch Naturalization Certificate	link	
Bertold Wiersch Naturalization Declaration of Intention	link	
Cover & Inside of German passport for Bertold Wiersch.	link	
Hans Fischer and friends aboard the St. Louis	link	
Hans, Joanna, George and Ruth Fischer aboard the S.S. Monterey sailing from Havana, Cuba to New York, USA	link	
Paula Wiersch (Beer) in UK WWII Alien Internees	link	
Paula Wiersch Naturalization Certificate	link	
Photo of Bertold Wiersch in Cuba, 1946	link	
Photo of Kaethe and Max Wiersch boarding the St. Louis bound for Cuba.	link	