Background info assignment

Questions :

* #1 – **What was life like at a concentration camp?**
  + *In concentration camps, life was subpar and the prisoners were treated extremely poorly in horrible conditions. They were run by fear because the people in the camps never knew if they would be subject to horrific tortures or experiments. The Jews never knew whether they would be killed or not, and they were dying of starvation and dehydration. The prisoners slept on hard bunk beds that were cramped in a little room with not much air. Prisoners would die in their sleep because of the malnutrition and torture they were experiencing. Families where separated upon entrance and kids, disabled people and the weak were segregated and killed in gas chamber. The prisoners that were able to work were forced to do hard manual labour without pay and with horrendous hours. The prisoners never got any serious medical attention in the form of help. They were often experimented on and treated like lab rats.*
* #2 – **Why where the Jews targeted by the Nazis?**
  + *For the Nazi’s, Jews where considered the root of all that is wrong and evil in the German Empire. The general idea was that Jews where the cause of the lose of the First World War, and that even if they are in a German speaking country, they will never be German citizens. The Nazi party did not like the fact that Jews where living in Germany, they did not consider them citizens as all the other Germans. The Jews were considered the lowest of the low and that they did not deserve respect.*
* #7 – **Why do we need to remember the Holocaust**
  + *We need to remember the Holocaust to so that we can learn from our mistakes as a society and move forward from the anti-Semitic and discriminatory mind sets. Although nothing good came out of the Holocaust, the ability to reflect and learn form the past is important to keep in mind. The Holocaust showed people the value of human lives and that mass killings are horrendous and terrible in every way. It’s important to know how the Holocaust affected people around the world so that we can move forward*