

1) What was the stated reason for the genocide in each instance?

- The reason the genocide of the Jews happened was because of Hitler and the Nazis thought of Jews being lesser than them. The main reasons from the genocides all are based around race, ethnicity and even social class.

2) Do you see a pattern in these reasons?

- Yes, the patterns are pretty obvious, it comes from hatred from a certain type of people toward another group of people. Once they have a bit of power over them, they begin to take action.

3) Are elements of civil war, or nationalism, or racism, or religion involved in genocides? Do you see examples of identerest? Be specific as to the nation/group and the aspect involved.

- Yes, people can use reasons like fighting among different groups, having different beliefs or religion, or thinking some people are better than others because of their race to commit mass killings. For example, in Rwanda, some people killed others from a different group because they were taught to hate them. In the Holocaust, many Jewish people were killed because the Nazis thought they were inferior and wanted to get rid of them.

4) How do hierarchies and politics impact genocides? How?

- When some people have more power than others, they can hurt or kill people who they don't like. This can happen in a government, where leaders might order their soldiers or police to hurt or kill certain groups. In Cambodia, the people in charge killed people who they thought were a threat to their power.

5) What do you think can be done to stop genocides from happening in the present/future?

- To stop mass killings from happening, we need to try to stop people from hating others just because they are different. We can do this by teaching people to respect everyone, no matter who they are. We can also try to help countries that are having problems, so that they don't become violent. We need to hold people responsible if they hurt or kill others. We can also try to talk to people and help them understand each other better, so they don't fight.