"We remember all whose lives were lost or forever altered by the Holocaust. And we are challenged to think about what might motivate us to respond to warning signs of genocide today. History teaches us that genocide can be prevented if enough people care enough to act.

Our choices in response to hatred truly do matter, and together we can help fulfill the promise of NEVER AGAIN."

—U.S. Holocaust Museum

“"For the dead and the living. We must bear witness”"

—Elie Wiesel
Survivor of the Auschwitz, Buna, Buchenwald, and Gleiwitz concentration camps
Each year, the United States *Holocaust Memorial Museum* leads the Nation in commemorating Days of Remembrance.

Days of Remembrance was established by the U.S. Congress to memorialize the six million Jewish people and some 5 million others (targeted for racial, political, ideological, and behavioral reasons), who were murdered in the Holocaust. More than one million children were killed.
As the Nazi regime crumbled under the Allied armies, American Soldiers discovered the death camps. Along with their Allied counterparts, American Soldiers became the first outsiders to witness the horrors inside the camps.

General Dwight Eisenhower ordered every American soldier in the area who was not on the front lines to tour the camps. He wanted them to see what they were fighting against and why they were fighting.

The U.S. Army Signal Corps cameramen rushed to the camps to document the horrors for the public and for war crimes trials.

“How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.”

Anne Frank
Author of The Diary of a Young Girl
Victim of the Holocaust

What can you do to improve the world?
Empathy can be described as “walking in someone else’s shoes.” Look at the shoes worn by Lea Kufert, a young victim of the Holocaust, and answer the questions below.

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