Chosen Text Project
Holocaust History 274 Pima Community College
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There are five sections to this project:

1) Research two events in the text using two on-line sources (two sources per event)
2) Analyze the credibility of two of your on-line sources
3) Describe the scene you find most important
4) Analyze one character’s relationship to authority
5) Works Cited page in MLA or APA format

Directions for each section:

1. Evaluation events
   a) Describe two events, e.g. the scene in which a character had to start wearing a yellow star or in which he or she arrives at a camp
   b) Provide at least two Internet sources about the event or similar events for other Jews (country, time, place).
   c) Explain what your research has revealed: How realistic is the depiction in the book or film? Did similar events happen to other people? Why do you think the writer/screenwriter included the event in the text? How do you think the event affects the viewers’ understanding of the Holocaust? Provide specific details from your research to support your conclusion.
   d) Cite your sources using the MLA or APA format.

2. Direction for Internet Literature Review
   a) Provide the title and URL of the source
   b) Explain how the site relates to your research topic (Is it a movie review, on-line encyclopedia entry, memoir?)
   c) Evaluate the credibility of the source by explaining how the site is funded and what people or institutions support the site. Most sites have an “About Us” or “Links” tab and/or a “Mission Statement” tab which will provide information the Website’s purpose. Are the authors historians? Is the site funded by Congress, a university or college? An organization that solicits donations?

3. Most Important Scene
   Choose what scene you think will have the most impact on viewers. This answer calls for your personal reflections. Why is this scene so powerful? If you find other parts of the text disturbing, do you think this scene helps the viewer understand the text? Provide the necessary context for the scene, giving citations for the date and location of events.

4. Discussion of one scene which reveals a character’s relationship to authority.
   In class, we discuss how one’s relationship to the laws and rules of a society can be in conflict with one’s understanding of right and wrong. Sometimes our understanding of right and wrong comes from a family member, sometimes from religious teachings, sometimes from our schooling. What authority does your character use when making decisions about how to act? How does he or she know that this is the right thing to do?

5. MLA or APA Works Cited page
   Here are two good sources:

   MLA Documentation of Electronic Sources
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