**Jewish Decisions to Resist Name:   
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**What is Jewish Resistance?**

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| **Types of Jewish Resistance** | |
| **A.** | **B.** |
| **Examples:** | **Examples:** |

**Jewish Response: Emigration**

**The Decision to Emigrate—Essential Question: What would it have taken to emigrate during the Holocaust?**

**Documents:**

1. USHMM. Holocaust Encyclopedia. “German Jewish Refugees, 1933-1939.”  
   <https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/article/german-jewish-refugees-1933-1939>
2. USHMM. Online Exhibition. Americans and the Holocaust. “The Refugee Crisis.” Video.  
   <https://exhibitions.ushmm.org/storage/539/c24fa256-43e5-11e8-8182-0a8fdb86ecba.mp4>
3. USHMM. Online Exhibition. Americans and the Holocaust. “The Challenges of Escape.”  
   <https://exhibitions.ushmm.org/americans-and-the-holocaust/main/us-immigration>
4. USHMM. Online Exhibition. Americans and the Holocaust. “What did Refugees Need to Obtain a US Visa in the 1930’s?”  
   <https://exhibitions.ushmm.org/americans-and-the-holocaust/what-did-refugees-need-to-obtain-a-us-visa-in-the-1930s>

**Profiles of Jews Considering Emigrating**

1. **Friedrich:** A 30 year old business owner with a wife and two young children. Your elderly parents rely on you for financial and physical support.
2. **Alfons:** A retired WWI veteran who was decorated by the German military for your service. You and your wife are very proud of being Germans. Your children are grown and living on their own.
3. **Hans:** An 18 year old recent graduate of the Gymnasium (high school), you have recently finished an apprenticeship with a tailor and are eager to start work. You are unmarried and your parents are self-sufficient and able-bodied.
4. **Gretl:** A 23 year old mother of two. Your husband is a successful lawyer with substantial assets. You have an uncle you have never met living in New York City.

**Jewish Response: Hiding**

**The Decision to Hide—Essential Question: What would it have taken to hide during the Holocaust?**

**Documents:**

1. Facing History and Ourselves. Reading 15. “Survival in Hiding.”  
   <https://www.facinghistory.org/resource-library/survival-hiding>
2. Yad Vashem. I Am My Brother’s Keeper. “In Cellars, Pits, and Attics.”  
   <https://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/exhibitions/righteous/hiding.asp>
3. Read at least two of the following stories of hiding:
4. <https://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/exhibitions/righteous/seduls.asp>
5. <https://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/exhibitions/righteous/dyuk.asp>
6. <https://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/exhibitions/righteous/gerasimchik.asp>
7. <https://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/exhibitions/righteous/puchalski.asp>
8. <https://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/exhibitions/righteous/radlinskas.asp>
9. <https://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/exhibitions/righteous/schouten.asp>

**Profiles of Jews Considering Going into Hiding**

1. **Litzi:** A mother of 3 who fled to Holland with her family after Kristallnacht. Your kids have learned Dutch, but you still don’t speak it well. Your friends are all fellow immigrants.
2. **Remy:** A French business owner who lost his business after the occupation. Your wife’s family is limitedly intermarried and you know several French Catholics very well.
3. **Jan** (pronounce Yahn):A Polish father of 5. You have no financial resources.
4. **Tulga:** A German mother with a large extended family. You have resources enough to provide for your immediate family in hiding, but will not be able to assist your parents, siblings, or nieces and nephews.

**Jewish Response: Armed Resistance**

**The Decision to Resist with Weapons—Essential Question: What would it have taken to mount an armed resistance during the Holocaust?**

**Documents:**

1. USHMM. Holocaust Encyclopedia. “Armed Jewish Resistance: Partisans.”  
   <https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/article/armed-jewish-resistance-partisans>
2. Jewish Partisan Educational Foundation. “Every Day the Impossible: Jewish Women in the Partisans.” Video. (16:26 mins)  
   <https://youtu.be/V9i5Hp2nVb8?si=0oR5IHLgob3nKYxR>
3. Yad Vashem. Documents. “The Discussion on Fighting Aims by the Activists of the Bialystok Members of the Dror Movement, February 27, 1943.”  
   <https://www.yadvashem.org/docs/bialystok-dror-movement-fighting.html>
4. USHMM. Holocaust Encyclopedia. “Bialystok.”  
   <https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/article/bialystok>

**Profiles of Jews Considering Armed Resistance**

1. **Natan:** A 20 year old man whose middle-aged mother lives with him in the ghetto. The rest of the family was deported during earlier actions. You have a work permit, your mother does not.
2. **Ryka:** A mother of 2 teenagers whose husband fled to the Soviet Union before the ghetto was formed. You and your children all have work permits.
3. **Uri:** A member of the Jewish ghetto police. In exchange for your service, you have been promised an exemption from deportation for you and your immediate family.
4. **Ira:** A 40 year old man with a work permit. Your wife and daughter were deported during an earlier action, but your young son is still in the ghetto with you.
5. **Dina:** A young, unmarried woman who was active in the Zionist youth movement before the war and is part of the underground in the ghetto. You have served as a courier for the resistance for the last year. You have no relatives left in the ghetto.