**Murder, Oppression & Genocide**

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**Using the readings summarize the information using your own words into the charts below. Also Read the 8 characteristics of genocide and use specific examples of how they are used in your summarized explanations (highlight where you write about them)**

**1. CLASSIFICATION:** All cultures have categories to distinguish people into "us and them" by ethnicity, race, religion, or nationality. Bipolar societies that lack mixed categories are the most likely to have genocide.

**2. SYMBOLIZATION:** We give names or other symbols (distinguish them by colors or dress) to the classifications and apply them to members of groups. Classification and symbolization are universally human and do not necessarily result in genocide unless they lead to the next stage, dehumanization. When combined with hatred, symbols may be forced upon unwilling members of exiled groups

**3. DEHUMANIZATION:** One group denies the humanity of the other group. Members of it are equated with animals, vermin, insects or diseases. Dehumanization overcomes the normal human revulsion against murder.

**4. ORGANIZATION:** Genocide is always organized, usually by the state, though sometimes informally (Hindu mobs led by local RSS militants) or by terrorist groups. Special army units or militias are often trained and armed. Plans are made for genocidal killings.

**5. POLARIZATION:** Extremists drive the groups apart. Hate groups broadcast polarizing propaganda. Laws may forbid intermarriage or social interaction. Extremist terrorism targets moderates, intimidating and silencing the center.

**6. PREPARATION:** Victims are identified and separated out because of their ethnic or religious identity. Death lists are drawn up. Members of victim groups are forced to wear identifying symbols. They are often segregated into ghettoes, forced into concentration camps, or confined to a famine-struck region and starved.

**7. EXTERMINATION:** Extermination begins, and quickly becomes the mass killing legally called "genocide." It is "extermination" to the killers because they do not believe their victims to be fully human. When it is sponsored by the state, the armed forces often work with militias.. Sometimes the genocide results in revenge killings by groups against each other.

**8. DENIAL:** The perpetrators of genocide dig up the mass graves, burn the bodies, try to cover up the evidence and intimidate the witnesses. They deny that they committed any crimes, and often blame what happened on the victims. They block investigations of the crimes, and continue to govern until driven from power by force, when they flee into exile.

**Cambodia- Khmer Rouge**

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**China- Cultural Revolution**

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**El Salvador (1970’s and 1980’s)**

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**Soviet Union- The Great Purge (1934)**

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**Armenian Massacre (1914)**

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**Bosnian Wars(1992-1995)**

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**Rwanda Genocide (1994)**

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**Darfur Genocide**

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