# Other genocides

Connection to the Holocaust & Night

As the 21<sup>st</sup> century unfolds, the Holocaust recedes farther into the past. As something that happened in an earlier century, it may appear to be increasingly distant from us. Nothing, however, could be further from the truth. The genocide happened; it cast shadows upon the earth. The genocide makes no darkness unthinkable, no destruction unimaginable, no devastation impossible. Post-Holocaust ethnic cleansing in Kosovo and genocides in Bosnia and Rwanda testify to that. -Voices of the Holocaust

# Kosovo (1998-99)

- A former territory of Serbia with a majority population of Albanians.
- In the late 1990s, Serbian forces displaced about 1 million Albanians and killed thousands of others when Albanians began to fight for independence.
- Albanians also forced about 100,000 Serbs and others from their homes.
- Leaders on both sides were brought to trial for heinous war crimes.
- Kosovo is now an independent state.

### Kosovo conflict (1998-99)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kosovo\_War

 "By 2000, investigations had recovered the remains of almost three thousand victims of all ethnicities, and in 2001 a <u>United Nations</u> administered Supreme Court, based in Kosovo, found that there had been "a systematic campaign of terror, including murders, rapes, arsons and severe maltreatments", but that Yugoslav troops had tried to remove rather than eradicate the Albanian population."

# Bosnia (1992-1995)

- Bosnia=The country of Bosnia and Herzegovina, once part of Yugoslavia
- It includes large populations of Bosnian Muslims (Bozniaks), Serbian Orthodox Christians, and Croatian Roman Catholics.
- In 1992 Bosniaks declared independence, a move opposed by most Serbs.
- The 3 year war that followed resulted in more than 100,000 deaths. Among those were 8,000 Bosniak men and boys massacred at Srberenica by Serbs.
- Leaders of the massacre have been tried by an international tribunal and several have been found guilty of genocide.

# Bosnia (1992-1995)

Ethnic cleansing targeted Muslim Bosniaks and Bosnian Croats: 100,000 people died

http://worldwithoutgenocide.org/genocides-and-conflicts/bosniangenocide

http://www.history.com/topics/bosnian-genocide

### Rwanda (1994)

•An East African country in which about 800,000 civilians, almost all belonging to the minority Tutsi ethnic group, were massacred by the governing Hutu

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- Clementine
- Africa=An estimated more than 800,000 Rwandans/Tutsis were killed during the 100-day period from April 7 to mid-July 1994
- <u>http://endgenocide.org/learn/past-genocides/the-rwandan-genocide/</u>
- <a href="http://www.history.com/topics/rwandan-genocide">http://www.history.com/topics/rwandan-genocide</a>

# Darfur (2003-?)

- Sudan is largest country in Africa; Darfur is a region in western Sudan
- As of today, over 480,000 people have been killed, and over 2.8 million people are displaced
- <u>http://worldwithoutgenocide.org/genocides-and-conflicts/darfur-genocide</u>
- http://www.jww.org/conflict-areas/sudan/darfur/

#### Syrian refugee crisis (2011-Present)

- Ongoing humanitarian crisis
- <u>http://endgenocide.org/conflict-areas/syria-backgrounder/</u>
- <u>https://www.ushmm.org/confront-genocide/cases/syria/introduction/syria</u>
- <u>https://www.mercycorps.org/articles/iraq-jordan-lebanon-syria-turkey/quick-facts-what-you-need-know-about-syria-crisis</u>