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### ONE SURVIVOR REMEMBERS

As you watch the video *One Survivor Remembers*, fill in the blanks on this accompaniment sheet.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ women started on the death march, less than \_\_\_\_\_ survived and were liberated.
2. The nightmare death march lasted \_\_\_\_ years through \_\_\_\_\_, deportation, slave labor camps, and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Gerda Weissmann was \_\_\_\_\_ and living in Bielsko, \_\_\_\_\_ when war broke out on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1939. \_\_\_\_\_ invaded Poland.
4. All men, including Gerda's brother, between the ages of \_\_\_\_\_ - 50 had to register and were taken away to serve in the army.
5. Many ethnic \_\_\_\_\_ living in Bielsko welcomed the German invasion and were given the homes of \_\_\_\_\_.
6. In 1942, Polish Jews were deported to \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
7. On June 29, 1942, Jewish women of Bielsko and their children were \_\_\_\_\_ by German authorities.
8. Gerda was separated from her mother because \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Gerda made a bet with Susie that said \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. The winner of the bet was to receive \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Frau Kügler appeared very scary and intimidating but was really \_\_\_\_\_.
11. Gerda spent \_\_\_\_ years in camps along the Polish – German border.
12. The conditions of slave labor in Marzdorf Germany were \_\_\_\_\_.
13. \_\_\_\_\_ were the last attempt by Nazis to destroy evidence of their crimes.
14. \_\_\_\_\_ girls were sent on the death march in January.

15. Gerda dealt with her situation by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

16. Gerda vowed to never try to run away when \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

17. When Gerda was found by American soldiers, she had \_\_\_\_\_ hair, weighed \_\_\_\_\_ lbs. and was \_\_\_\_\_ years old.

18. The U.S. army liberated Volary Czechoslovakia (where Gerda's death march ended) in \_\_\_\_\_.

**ON THE DIVINE**

By Goetha

Let man be noble,  
Generous and good;  
For that alone  
Distinguishes him  
From all the living  
Beings we know.

Hail to the unknown  
Higher beings  
Of our intuition!  
Let man resemble them;  
Let his example  
Teach us to believe in them.

For the realm of nature  
Is unfeeling;  
The sun sheds its light  
Over evil and good  
And the moon and the stars  
Shine on the criminal  
As on the best of us.

The wind and the rivers  
The hail and the thunder

Storm on their way  
And snatch one victim  
After another  
As they rush past.

So too does blind fortune  
Grove through the crowd, now  
Seizing a young boy's  
Curly-haired innocence  
And now the bald pate  
Of the old and guilty.

As great, everlasting,  
Adamantine laws  
Dictate, we must all  
Complete the cycles  
Of our existence.

Only mankind  
Can do the impossible:  
He can distinguish,  
He chooses and judges,  
He can give permanence  
To the moment.

He alone may  
Reward the good  
And punish the wicked;  
He may heal and save  
And usefully bind  
All that strays and wanders.

And we revere  
The immortals, as if  
They were human beings  
Who do on a great scale  
What little the best of us  
Does or endeavors.

Let the noble man  
Be generous and good,  
Tirelessly achieving  
What is just and useful:  
Let him be a model  
For those beings whom he  
surmises.

Explain the significance of the above poem to Gerda's rescuer and now husband, Kurt Klein.

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