



# AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY ACTIVITY

## PINCHAS GUTTER

**Instructions:** Use information gathered from recollections to fill in the blanks and answer the questions on the worksheet. Each fill-in-the-blank and question has an answer in the recollections. Each time you use a recollection to answer a question, add it to *My Collection* by tapping or clicking *Collect*. You should end up with ten recollections in *My Collection*.

You can find additional information about each recollection, including location, date and glossary terms, by tapping or clicking *More Info*.

The recollections are in chronological order, and the questions are in chronological order.

1. Pinchas lived with his family in the city of \_\_\_\_\_, in Poland. How does he describe the sound and smell associated with his earliest memory of his father?

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2. When he was growing up in Poland, Pinchas experienced antisemitism. What is antisemitism, and how did the Polish Christian boys in his neighbourhood demonstrate it?

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3. Pinchas was \_\_\_\_\_ years old when World War II broke out and the German army occupied Poland. When did he first come into contact with Germans?

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4. Life in the Warsaw ghetto was an “apocalyptic hell,” according to Pinchas. List three things Pinchas saw in the ghetto that have remained painfully clear in his mind:

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5. The Warsaw Ghetto Uprising occurred on April 19, 19\_\_\_\_, which was also the first night of the Jewish holiday called \_\_\_\_\_. How did some Jews maintain their faith even in the extreme circumstances of the uprising?

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**6.** In May 1943, when Pinchas and his family arrived at Majdanek concentration camp and killing site, his family was separated. How does Pinchas describe the last time he saw his sister?

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**7.** When Pinchas was imprisoned in a labour camp, he met a man named Rabbi \_\_\_\_\_, who had studied with his father. What religious ceremony did he secretly perform on Pinchas in the camp?

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**8.** Pinchas was liberated in May 1945 from the transit camp/ghetto called \_\_\_\_\_. How did he feel at the end of the war?

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**9.** In 19\_\_\_\_, Pinchas and his family immigrated to Canada. What sentiment did Pinchas feel when he first visited Canada that made him want to move there?

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**10.** Why is it important for Pinchas to share his story with students?

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