

This page contains resources set in or detailing information about the concentration camp at Terezin, also called Theresienstadt.

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## **Print Resources:**

### **Auerbacher, Inge**

D804.3.A93 1986 [Check availability](#)

*I Am a Star: Child of the Holocaust*

Gr. 4-8

The author's reminiscences about her childhood in Germany, years of which were spent in a Nazi concentration camp. Includes several of her original poems.

### **Bor, Josef**

D805.C9 B613 1978 [Check availability](#)

*The Terezin Requiem*

The Nazis allow the talented young conductor, Raphael Schacter, to assemble an orchestra. Like a man possessed, he organizes the shattered ghetto prisoners to perform Verdi's Requiem, magnificent music of death and hope, because it captures the fate of his people.

### **Facing History and Ourselves National Foundation, Inc.**

ML247.8.T47 G92 2000 [Check availability](#)

*A Guide to Finding a Voice: Musicians in Terezin*

It is almost incomprehensible that music could be performed, let alone composed, in a Nazi concentration camp. In November 1941, the Nazis converted the small Czech garrison town of Terezin into the Theresienstadt Concentration Camp.

### **Green, Gerald**

N6886.T4 G7 [Check availability](#)

*The Artists of Terezin*

This book is about a group of artists, creative and talented men, who fought the political brute with pens and brushes.

### **Gruenbaum, Michael**

DS135.C97 G75 2015 [Check Availability](#)

*Somewhere There is Still a Sun*

When the Nazis invade Czechoslovakia in 1941, twelve-year-old Michael and his family are deported from Prague to the Terezin concentration camp where his mother's will and ingenuity keep them from being transported to Auschwitz and certain death.

### **Haas, Gerda (Gerda Schild)**

D810.J4 H27 1982 [Check availability](#)

*These I do Remember: Fragments from the Holocaust*

Gr. 9-12

The author chronicles her experiences in Berlin, a concentration camp, and during her escape to Switzerland, as well as presenting firsthand accounts of the Holocaust by Jews.

**Janeczko, Paul B.**PS3560.A465 R47 2011 [Check availability](#)*Requiem: Poems of the Terezin Ghetto*

Gr. 9-12

Presents a collection of poetry inspired by the history of the people in the Terezin concentration camp during the Holocaust.

**Kacer, Kathy**PZ7.K1157 Cla 2001 [Check availability](#)*Clara's War*

Gr. 4-7

Clara makes many friends despite the hardships of life inside the walled town of Terezin but when her friend Jacob decides to escape, Clara must make a difficult choice.

**Kushner, Tony and Maurice Sendak**PZ7.K9647 Bru 2003 [Check availability](#)*Brundibar*

Gr. K and Up

When Aninku and Pepicek discover that their mother is sick, they rush to town for milk to make her feel better, but their attempt to earn money by singing is thwarted by a bully, Brundibar.

**Ollendorff, Stephen A.**D805.5.T54 O45 2003 [Check availability](#)*Fate Did Not Let Me Go*

Gr. 6 and Up

A mother wrote her son a farewell letter just days before she died in Thereseinstadt concentration camp in 1942 and it mysteriously reached him in 1985 when he was seventy-nine years old.

- NOTE: A DVD version is also available. [Check availability](#)
- *Teacher Resource:* <http://www.fatedidnotletmego.org>

Sponsored by the Ollendorff Center for Religious and Human Understanding, this website highlights both the film and book versions of the letter featuring additional information, commentary, and a teacher's guide in online and .pdf formats.

**Rubin, Susan Goldman**N6834.5.D43 R83 2000 [Check availability](#)*Fireflies in the Dark: The Story of Friedl Dicker-Brandeis and the Children of Terezin*

Gr. 5-8

Covers the years during which Friedl Dicker, a Jewish woman from Czechoslovakia, taught art to children at the Terezin Concentration Camp.

**Rubin, Susan Goldman**DS135.C97 W45537 2006 [Check availability](#)

*The Cat with the Yellow Star: Coming of Age in Terezin*

Gr.3-6

This is the story of Weissberger's memory of growing up in the concentration camp at Terezin, where she played the part of the Cat in multiple productions of the opera Brundibar.

- *Teacher Resource:*

<http://www.holidayhouse.com/docs/Cat%20with%20the%20Yellow%20Star%20Teachers%20Guide%202014.pdf>

This site offers a guide that lists related activities and discussion questions on topics found in the book. Most are appropriate for the upper range of the book's grade levels. There is a brief list of related titles of interest also published by Holiday House.

**Spies, Gerty**D805.C9 Z8813 1997 [Check availability](#)*My Years in Theresienstadt: How One Woman Survived the Holocaust*

Gr. 9-12

Recalls the author's struggle for survival.

**Thomson, Ruth**D805.5.T54.T48 2011 [Check availability](#)*Terezin: Voices from the Holocaust*

Gr. 6-8

Explores the lives of Jewish people in one of the most infamous of the Nazi transit camps through the inmates' own voices.

**United States Holocaust Memorial Museum**N352.D42513 1978 [Check availability](#)N352.D42513 1993 [Check availability](#)*I Never Saw Another Butterfly: Children's Drawings and Poems from Terezin Camp, 1942-1944*

Gr. K and Up

A selection of children's poems and drawings reflecting their surroundings in Terezin Concentration Camp in Czechoslovakia from 1942 to 1944.

- *Teacher Resource:* [www.mjhnyc.org/documents/DTR\\_GUIDE\\_007.pdf](http://www.mjhnyc.org/documents/DTR_GUIDE_007.pdf)

This guide provides an extensive reading list that is divided into subjects. Within each subject is a list of books appropriate for students as well as one for teachers. It focuses on the artistic representations found in this collection as well as other titles with this theme.

- *Teacher Resource:* [http://www.hmh.org/ed\\_butterfly1.shtml](http://www.hmh.org/ed_butterfly1.shtml)

Holocaust Museum Houston is collecting 1.5 million handmade butterflies for an exhibition scheduled for

Spring 2012. Information on how to participate is on the website.

## **Audiovisual Resources:**

### **Everything is a Present: The Wonder and Grace of Alice Sommer Herz**

ML417.H38 E97 2009 [Check availability](#)

Not Rated

Christopher Nupen's film portrays Alice Sommer Herz, a Nazi concentration camp prisoner for two years with her six-year-old son, suffering deaths of her mother and her husband in the camp, remembers playing more than 100 concerts in the camp and likens the experience, both for the performers and for the listeners, to being close to the divine. Alice feels music saved her sanity as well as her life and the lives of hundreds of others.

*Run Time: 54 minutes*

### **Holocaust. Theresienstadt**

Artsmagic

D805.5.T54 H65 2005 [Check availability](#)

Not Rated

Takes a look at the 'show' camp at Theresienstadt where Nazis could deceive the outside world as to what was really happening to the Jews of Europe, as well as the prisoners themselves.

*Run time: 53 minute*

### **Journey of Butterfly, The**

Whistling Communications

D810.C4 J6 2007 [Check availability](#)

Not Rated

Weaves together the music, art, poetry, and history of the children imprisoned by the Nazis in the ghetto at Terezin in Czechoslovakia from 1941 to 1945. This DVD also includes a second one hour documentary *The Journey of Butterfly: The Legacy*, which tells the story of a reunion between survivors and members of the American Boychoir and was filmed in 2001.

*Run time: 62 minutes*

- *Teacher Resource:* <http://www.journeyofbutterfly.com/viewersguide.html>

### **Ullmann, Viktor**

M23.U45 S66 2012 [Check Availability](#)

*Complete Piano Sonatas*

Viktor Ullmann's piano sonatas were written between 1936 and 1944, the first four while he freelanced in Prague, the last three while incarcerated at Terezin.

## **Articles & Websites:**