

FILMS

Genocide Revealed

Award-winning documentary (2010) of eyewitness accounts and interviews with researchers from Ukraine and the international community, relating the latest archival information on the Holodomor. Available in DVD, 26- and 52-min educational versions. Contact: yurij@yluhovy.com

Harvest of Despair

Award-winning documentary (1983) paints an unforgettable picture of this period in history, using personal and historical resources. 55 min. UCRDC: 416-966-1819 / office@ucrdc.org / www.ucrdc.org

Holodomor, Ukraine's Genocide

Award-winning documentary by Bobby Leigh (2011) employs eyewitness accounts and new evidence. www.holodomorthemovie.com

The Soviet Story

Documents Soviet Union history and the Holodomor. 85 min in English by Kristaps Valdnicks, Latvia (2008). Excellent introduction to Holodomor. www.soviethistory.com and TDSB Professional Library

Zhyvi (The Living) (2008)

Documentary of survivors, and the role of Gareth Jones in exposing the Holodomor. In Ukrainian, English subtitles. 75 min. 1-866-942-4627, or TDSB Professional Library

SPEAKERS and WORKSHOPS

Speakers from HREC and UCRDC are available to visit schools and discuss the Holodomor. Workshops also available.

Visit UCRDC to view exhibits and hear survivor testimonies from archives.

HREC: Holodomor Research and Education Consortium

- ❖ Promotes Holodomor awareness and understanding.
- ❖ Prepares educational materials.
- ❖ Conducts teacher training.
- ❖ Fosters research and ensures that the Holodomor is represented in history and genocide teaching.

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80th Commemoration of the HOLODOMOR 1932-33

Famine-Genocide in Ukraine



- ❖ *Holodomor, the Famine-Genocide in Ukraine, was a political action perpetrated by an occupying Soviet regime.*
- ❖ *Current research indicates that millions perished.*
- ❖ *The Holodomor was recognized as genocide by the Government of Canada (2008).*
- ❖ *Many schools across Canada hold special events to remember the Holodomor victims on the 4th Friday in November.*

HOLODOMOR MEMORIAL DAY ANNOUNCEMENT

Eighty years ago, millions of Ukrainians were deliberately starved to death. This engineered famine is known as **Holodomor**, which means “inflicting death by starvation”.

Ukraine was a republic of the Soviet Union in 1932-33. The Communist regime first took the people's land, then seized all the grain in Ukraine. In many areas, it confiscated all other food as well, leaving farmers and their families with nothing to eat.

The harvest had been plentiful, but the Ukrainian people were forbidden from keeping any of it, and millions of Ukrainians starved while Soviet authorities sold the grain or exported it abroad.

Five Ears of Grain

August 7, 1932: Stalin authored a law which punished by death or 10-year imprisonment any misappropriation of collective farm property. This led to mass arrests and executions. Even children searching for grain left in fields were convicted. The law became known as “*Five Ears of Grain*”.

During the Holodomor and for seventy years afterwards, the USSR denied the famine. It was unlawful to mention it. Many in the West, especially those sympathetic to the Communist regime, chose to disbelieve accounts

of intentional starvation. With the collapse of the USSR in 1991, archives were opened for the first time for Holodomor researchers.

Through Acts of Parliament, the governments of Canada and five provinces, including Ontario, recognize this act as genocide and set aside a day of remembrance for the millions who were starved to death, many of whom were children. In many schools across Canada, this is done on the 4th Friday in November. Many survivors have descendants now living in Canada.

HOLODOMOR WRITING COMPETITION

This competition is open to students ages 14-19, to write in remembrance of the Holodomor victims. The top three winners receive scholarships. Sponsored by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress: Contact HDRC or visit faminegenocide.com/writing_competition.htm

TEACHING MATERIALS

Obtain a **Holodomor Teaching Kit** with a workbook, lesson plans, and DVD as well as books for your school. Prepared by former TDSB Department Head of History and Social Studies, Valentina Kuryliw. hrec@ualberta.ca; 416-923-4732.

The **Toronto District School Board** has prepared two teaching units on the Holodomor for the World History and World Politics Grade 12 courses; available to school boards upon request: curriculumdocs@tdsb.on.ca

WEBSITES

Famine-Genocide: www.faminegenocide.com

UCRDC Share the Story
www.holodomorsurvivors.ca

Share the Story
Presents the stories of 80 survivors of the Holodomor living around the world today.
www.sharethestory.ca

Holodomor: Genocide by Famine
www.holodomoreducation.org

Ministry of Education of Manitoba
www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/ (search for Holodomor)

Ukrainian Genocide Famine Foundation – USA
www.ukrainiangenocide.org

Connecticut Holodomor Committee
www.holodomorct.org

PRINT MEDIA

The Ukrainian Genocide: The Holodomor, 1932-33. Workbook for Teachers and Students, by Valentina Kuryliw. A collection of resources, lesson plans, and bibliography. Contact hrec@ualberta.ca or 416-923-4732.

Holodomor of 1932-1933 in Ukraine: Documents and Materials, Pyrih R. ed. National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Kyiv Mohyla Academy Publishing House, 2008. Collection of archival documents and correspondence among Stalin, Molotov and Kaganovich. For print copies contact: hrec@ualberta.ca, or 416-923-4732; for e-version; faminegenocide.com/resources/hdocuments.htm

Holodomor – Ukrainian Genocide in the Early 1930s. A 24-page free booklet in English. Call 1-866-942-4627. Shipping charges apply.

The Holodomor Reader: A sourcebook compiled by Bohdan Klid and Alexander Motyl. Toronto-Edmonton: Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies Press, 2012. A collection of key texts and materials, many available in English for the first time.
www.ciuspress.com/catalogue/history/324/theholodomor-reader

CDs/DVDs

Execution by Hunger. The unknown genocide of Ukrainians – 34 posters. Free on DVD. Toll free: 1-866-942-4627. Shipping charges may apply.

The Holodomor. Survivor testimonies. 26 minutes. For copy contact Cindy Carswell: 1-204-697-1495, ext. 555, mcindy@canadinns.coms