

Listen to the podcast on Elie Wiesel and answer the questions below.

- What were the topics of Wiesel's lectures when he was a professor?
- Does Wiesel believe his central messages have been heard and people are learning from the past?
- Why do some people criticize Wiesel?

• What were the themes in this story?

• How would you summarize the life of Elie Wiesel?

Read the background handout and answer the questions that follow.

- When did Wiesel's life change?
- Why did his life change?
- What tragedies did he face as a young man?
- What is ironic about how he learned English?
- What does Wiesel want us to do / know now?

Make a modern day connection to what you know so far about the events in Wiesel's life.