

holocaust

[ˈhɒləkɔːst] *n*

1. 1) уничтожение, гибель в огне (*особ.* людей)
- 2) бойня, резня; разрушительная война
nuclear holocaust - ядерная катастрофа
2. 1) всеожжение; полное истребление жертвы огнём
- 2) целиком сжигаемая жертва
- 3) тяжёлая жертва
- 4) полное самопожертвование, самоотверженность
3. 1) геноцид
- 2) (*мж.* Holocaust) массовое уничтожение евреев фашистами, холокауст

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holo-caust [holocaust holocausts] *BrE* [ˈhɒləkɔːst] *AmE* [ˈhɑːləkɔːst]

AmE [ˈhɒləkɔːst] *noun*

1. **countable** a situation in which many things are destroyed and many people killed, especially because of a war or a fire
 - a nuclear holocaust
2. **the Holocaust** *singular* the killing of millions of Jews by the Nazis in the 1930s and 1940s

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French *holocauste*, via late Latin from Greek *holokauston*, from *holos* 'whole' + *kaustos* 'burnt' (from *kaiein* 'burn').

Example Bank:

- It's a film about life after a nuclear holocaust.

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[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: *holocauste*, from Greek *holokaustos* 'burnt whole', from *holos* 'whole' + *kaiein* 'to burn']

1. a situation in which there is great destruction and a lot of people die:
 - a nuclear holocaust
2. **the Holocaust** the killing of millions of Jews and other people by the Nazis during the Second World War ⇒ **genocide**

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