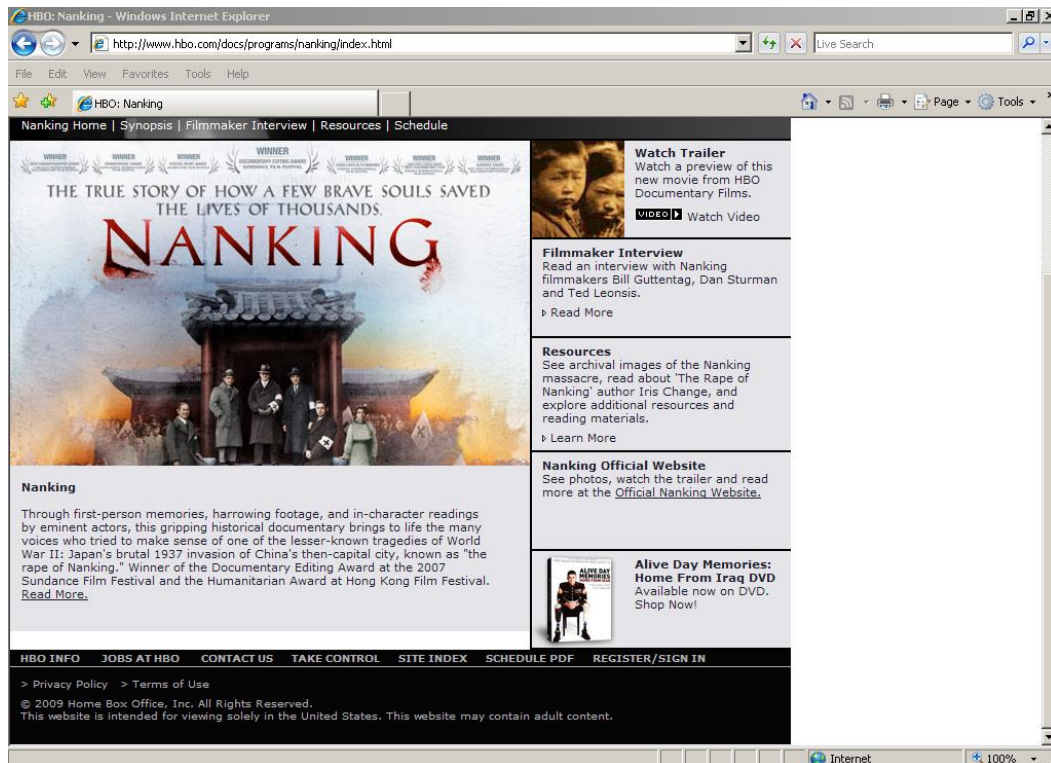


**Curriculum Development on Africa and Asia for Community Colleges
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Secondary Source Analysis

Nanking*

“If we have to die, let’s die together.”



Visit the official Nanking website: <http://www.hbo.com/docs/programs/nanking/index.html>

*Due to the nature of the events that took place in the Pacific Theater during World War II, please be aware of the graphic content of this selection.

EXPECTATIONS

These questions are to guide your note-taking. Observe instructor directions as to whether or not your responses will be handed in individually, or completed through an in-class review, in order to receive credit for your viewing. Please be sure to ask if you have any questions.

Please treat this project as a traditional writing assignment; use complete sentences, along with details & specifics from the piece to support your statements. The instructor is looking for comprehensive responses that integrate arguments & evidence, along with ideas presented/discussed via classroom material.

NANKING

1. How did the citizens of Nanking know an attack was beginning/coming, & how did the population in Nanking react?
2. Why did people, both Chinese & non-Chinese, stay behind in Nanking when they knew the Japanese armed forces were coming?
3. Why were the Japanese so interested in Shanghai? And then Nanking?
4. What evidence, from the period, exists that PROVE the events in & around Nanking took place? (Please provide FOUR different types)
5. What specific atrocities did the Japanese armed forces commit against the Chinese?
6. Describe the significance & operations of the "Safety Zone"/"Neutral Zone."
7. Did any foreigners stand out because of their heroic acts on behalf of the Chinese? Explain.
8. Provide FIVE examples of Japanese aggression once Imperial Japanese forces actually entered the city.
9. How were women particularly targeted & taken advantage of?
10. Why do you think that Japan has had, & still has, a very difficult time admitting what happened at Nanking?