

Review Questions for Chapter 1

1. In your own words, what is Genocide?
2. Who is Raphael Lemkin? How did he impact the study of Genocide?
3. What is Lemkin's definition of Genocide?
4. What are the most significant flaws of Lemkin's definition?
5. How did the UN Convention on Genocide define Genocide?
6. What are the most significant flaws the UN's definition?
7. Beginning on page 15, Professor Jones lists all of the modern scholarly definitions of Genocide. Pick one, and contrast it Lemkin's definition.
8. Why is it difficult to define an action a Genocide?
9. According to Professor Jones, is Genocide ever justified? Do you agree? Why?