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Testimony based learning activities – the IWitness platform

During this workshop teachers will familiarize themselves with the educational platform of the USC Shoah Foundation, called IWitness. The workshop delves into the transformative power of testimony-based learning, utilizing the rich resources provided by IWitness. The platform contains an extensive collection of testimonies from survivors and witnesses of historical events in multiple languages. IWitness equips educators with a dynamic tool to engage students in meaningful and impactful ways through hands-on activities and immersive experiences. Participants in the workshop will explore how to integrate testimonies into their curriculum and teaching practice, fostering empathy, critical thinking, and a deeper understanding of historical events. The workshop not only highlights the importance of oral history but also provides practical strategies for educators to create an inclusive and interactive learning environment. By the workshop's conclusion, teachers will be equipped with the skills and knowledge to leverage IWitness effectively, creating a compelling educational experience that resonates with students.