

# EVERYDAY OBJECTS, TRAGIC HISTORIES

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## VOCABULARY

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**GENOCIDE:** the deliberate killing of people who belong to a particular racial, political, or cultural group.

**MUNDANE:** common; ordinary; banal; unimaginative.

Ex. Mundane matters such as paying bills and shopping for food do not interest her.

**ABOUT + INFINITIVE:** very close to doing something.

Ex. The chorus is about to sing.

**TO RECOVER:** to get back something lost or spent.

Ex. We have to recover the stolen watch.

**GRAVE:** a hole in the ground for burying a dead body.

**CIVILIAN:** a person who is not a member of the police or the armed forces.

Ex. What is more, bombs have been directed at civilian targets, in flagrant violation of the international humanitarian law.

**FORENSICS:** the study or science of solving crimes by using scientific knowledge or methods.

**TOWARDS:** in the direction of.

Ex. The bus is heading towards town.

**REMNANT:** the part of something that is left when the other parts are gone.

**TO FADE:** to (cause to) lose colour, brightness, or strength gradually.

Ex. These dreams of yours fade like smoke.

**EVIDENCE:** material that is presented to a court of law to help find the truth about something.

**OUT OF SIGHT OUT OF MIND:** The idea that something is easily forgotten or dismissed as unimportant if it is not in our direct view.

**UNBIASED:** fair; impartial.

Ex. By all accounts, Mr. Smith appears to be an unbiased expert in his field.

**AWARENESS:** knowledge that something exists, or understanding of a situation or subject at the present time based on information or experience.

Ex. *To do this requires considerable awareness and commitment.*

**TO DECAY:** to become decomposed; rot; to deteriorate.

Ex. *The bodies buried in the fine ash slowly decayed.*