## WRITING ASSESSMENT QUESTIONS on the life stories told on the DVD and in the book *Taking the Stand: We Have More to Say*



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Dear Teacher,

From the list below, please select the questions that you wish your students to answer.

- 1. How old was Hermine Liska when she was first placed in a home [reform school]? How were she and her family affected by Nazi rule?
- 2. Why was Hermine Liska persecuted?
- 3. For how long was Hermine Liska interned?
- 4. In which homes [reform schools] was Hermine Liska placed?
- 5. What helped Hermine Liska to keep her faith?
- 6. What was a frightening or traumatic moment for Hermine Liska?
- 7. Of the stories Hermine Liska told, which do you remember best?
- 8. In your opinion, what makes Hermine Liska special? Give reasons for your answer.
- 9. What lesson(s) from Hermine Liska's story have you learned for your own life? Give reasons for your answer.
- 10. In which situation(s) in today's world could you imagine acting like Hermine Liska did? Give an example and reasons for your answer, and describe the possible consequences.