



## Portfolio Student Reflection Form

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Period: 1<sup>st</sup> Date: 3-16-19  
Course: Language Arts  
Grade: 6<sup>th</sup>  
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Type of work selected: Unsung Hero Topic: Forgotten hero  
Essay

1. Which Global Context connects most closely with this assignment?

Orientation in Space and Time

2. How does the work relate to this Global Context?

The essay talks about a person that did something important but was eventually forgotten.

3. Why did you choose this sample of your work? Explain.

I chose this sample because it talks about somebody important in history.

4. What do you like about this selection? Why?

I really like that this selection

5. If you were to do this assignment again, how could you improve upon it?

If I did this essay again I would make it longer.

6. Write a short 4-5 sentence paragraph explaining how this assignment advanced your understanding of the topic and what IB Learner Profile attribute you exhibited in completing this assignment. (Inquirers, Knowledgeable, Thinkers, Communicators, Principled, Open-minded, Reflective, Balanced, Risk-takers, Caring)

This assignment advanced my understanding of the word unsung. It also helped find out more about the life of my hero and how it felt to be alive during World War II. One IB learner profile attribute I exhibited was Knowledgeable because the project made ~~me~~ me have more knowledge about other people. It also helped me understand different perspectives.

Key Concepts: Connects and Creativity

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Period 1

## Unsung hero essay

There are people in the world that did tremendous acts but are forgotten after a few years. One example is Irena Sendler. She is heroic for the people she saved and the lives she rescued, without her there would have been many children dead and others being assaulted till they are hurt or in some cases, the kid's parents are killed so they become orphans.

To start off, Irena Sendler was born on February 15, 1910 in Warsaw. She was brave, strong, and daring. Irena started her hero career by rescuing orphans. After a month she started helping more by offering them better food and better shelter. Her team of saviors had false documents, hideouts, and escape routes. Some of the routes were using an ambulance, going through a courthouse, the sewage pipes, a trolley and the riskiest of them all is the secret passageway under a church. The corridor was "sealed" by the Germans. If the child that they were smuggling out knew how to speak perfect Polish and knew how to disturb the prayers, they could be taken through the "sealed" entrance. This plan was dangerous because the Germans sometimes used rouse to trick the Polish people and arrest them.

Also, Irena was arrested on October 20, 1943. She felt liberated while she was in the Plawiak prison. While in jail the guards tortured her and always interrogated her, whenever they interrogated her, and they thought she was lying they would hurt her, which would lead to her hands and feet being fractured. The Germans who interrogated her wanted the names of the leaders, their addresses, and the others that were involved. Irena fed him information, but little did he know that everything she said was fake and planned. Zegota (The leader) bribed the guy who was going to shoot her, so he can help Irena survive and escape.

Overall, Irena helped 2, 500 children in World War II. Her and the leaders helped many children but only a few people have heard of Irena Sendler in their lives. The kid's parents died so Irena had to care for most of them, which made her even more powerful and stronger. Even though she is a forgotten she is my hero and will always be remembered by me. I will never forget her faithful acts of heroism.