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Prisoner in My Homeland at a Glance MISSION US: "Prisoner in My Homeland"

	PROLOGUE	PART 1:	PART 2:	PART 3:	EPILOGUE
		Behind Barbed Wire	Finding a Way	Allegiance	
Playing Time	15-20 minutes	25-30 minutes	20-25 minutes	20-25 minutes	15 minutes
Story	Present Day. Henry's granddaughter Maya discovers his diary, in which he tells his family's history. December 1941. Henry experiences an ordinary day on Bainbridge Island (the day before the attack on Pearl Harbor). Maya and Great Aunt Lily recount the attack on Pearl Harbor and subsequent months. Henry's father is arrested and sent to a DOJ camp in New Mexico. Executive Order 9066 triggers the forced removal and incarceration of Henry, his mother, and his sister (along with tens of thousands of other Japanese Americans).	April 1942. Henry, his mother, and his sister are sent to Manzanar, which is still under construction. Henry helps his family adjust to spartan conditions and new neighbors (the Yamamoto family in the same barrack, including Meiko, a daughter his age; and the Terminal Islanders in nearby barracks, including Tadashi). He also befriends the historical figure Harry Ueno, who is trying to improve camp conditions. As the months wear on, Henry gets a job and prepares for the opening of school.	November 1942. Henry writes to his father, who is still in New Mexico. It's getting cold in Manzanar and there is still no heat in the Manzanar "high school" barrack. Henry is confronted with different approaches to being a "loyal American." He must also choose between focusing on his studies or investigating missing rations. Just before Thanksgiving, Henry's father suddenly returns but has trouble adjusting to camp life. Can Henry help him? And should he ask Meiko to the big dance? At the dance, Tadashi bursts in with news of Harry Ueno's arrest.	February 1943. Several months after Harry Ueno's arrest, the subsequent riot at Manzanar, and its aftermath, the Tanaka family has to respond to a series of events: A proposed move to a new camp, the formation of the 442nd all-Japanese battalion, and the so-called Loyalty Questionnaire. Henry must decide how he feels about looming military service. How will he answer the Questionnaire, including the infamous questions #27 and #28?	Henry's choices have consequences. Based on his final set of badges and his answers to the Questionnaire, he will experience one of four paths (resistance, enlistment, the draft, college) each with many unique moments. In the end, Henry will have a son, who is the father of Maya, the modern-day narrator. In the second part of the Epilogue, Maya and Great Aunt Lily will narrate the decades-long effort to seek justice and reparations from the government.
Tasks	Choose Henry's morning and afternoon activities during his day on Bainbridge Island (these impact the rest of the game)	Find something to cover the holes in the barrack floor. Visit the post office to see if a letter has arrived.	Complete a history assignment with Meiko <u>or</u> help Harry Ueno investigate missing rations	Learn about, discuss, and fill out the government's Questionnaire.	



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Badges				Appear before an Army Sergeant to answer questions #27 and #28. badges in stages (represente	
Target Concepts	History of Japanese immigration to the U.S. Anti-Asian immigration laws in the U.S. Americanization of Nisei combined with retaining Japanese cultural traditions Executive Order 9066 and U.S. government policy of forced removal	Living conditions in the Manzanar Prison Camp Japanese American strategies for coping with or resisting incarceration Social comparisons between different groups of Japanese Americans in the camps Work options and working conditions in the prison camp	Role of the Japanese American Citizens League in prison camp life Possible opportunities for college students to leave the prison camps Experience of Issei imprisoned in Department of Justice camps Growing tensions within the Manzanar Prison Camp	Problems with the government use of the "loyalty questionnaire" U.S. military recruitment of Japanese American soldiers Japanese American men, even those imprisoned on the west Coast become subject to the military draft	Role of Japanese American soldiers in World War II Relocation and hardships for Japanese American families after leaving the prison camps The long Japanese American struggle for redress and recognition of the wrongs committed against them
Classroom Activities	Badge Tracker (full game activity) Memory Box (full game activity) Prologue Writing Prompts Prologue Review Questions	Part 1 Document-Based Activity: Part 1 Vocabulary Activity Part 1 Writing Prompts Part 1 Review Questions	Part 2 Document-Based Activity: Part 2 Vocabulary Activity Part 2 Writing Prompts Part 2 Review Questions	Part 3 Document-Based Activity: Part 3 Vocabulary Activity Part 3 Writing Prompts Part 3 Review Questions	Final Project Epilogue Writing Prompts



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Key	Smartwords:	Smartwords:	Smartwords:	Smartwords:
Vocabulary	Issei	Nisei	Tule Lake	questionnaire
	Executive Order 9066	shikata ga nai	WRA 	General DeWitt
		JACL	rations	
		block manager		
	Glossary Words:	Glossary Words:	Glossary Words:	Glossary Words:
	picture bride	block building	shodan	mochi
	heirlooms	firebreak	nikyū	sugoi
	New Deal	Terminal Island	randori	Selective Service System
	bento	rat out	Kanō sensei	WAAC
	onigiri	inu	sensei	
	nihongo gakkō	redox reactions	ganbari nasai	
	takuan	kibei	waza	
	kanji	guayule	draft	
	obāchan		enlist	
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	sasae			
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