



Rape of Nanking

Classification

- ◆ Japanese imperialist army
- ◆ Nanking civilians and Chinese soldiers.



Dehumanization



- ◆ Japanese looked at the Chinese POWs with contempt, viewing them as less than human and unworthy of life.

- ◆ They were first going to eliminate any threat from the 90,000 Chinese soldiers that surrendered. Then target the women, and finally get rid of anyone left.



Organization

Polarization



- ◆ Drove the POWs to the outskirts of Nanking. There they inflicted maximum amounts of pain on each individual.
- ◆ If victims were p, their head was displayed as a souvenir.

- ◆ Random acts of murder took place after the killing of the POWs; rifles shot aimlessly into a crowd of panicked people, buildings set on fire with people trapped inside and any other act that would cause an extreme amount of pain.



Extermination

Denial

- ◆ Japanese saw it as a militaristic act not a genocide. They celebrated denied anything that said that it was for anything other than the war. Q

