Background of Rwanda
Genocide:

The deliberate killing of people who belong to a certain racial, political, or cultural group.

Although there have been a number of genocides throughout history, the Holocaust is considered one of the most infamous genocides in the history of the world.
Background of Rwandan Genocide

- Tutsi, Hutu, and Twa cultural groups- roles and responsibilities in society pre-1900’s.
- European colonization STEREOTYPING in the early 1900’s.
- Beginning of an “Us vs. Them” mentality.
Background of Rwandan Genocide

- Growing resentment in Hutu population - majority
- In 1950’s- Hutu government take over- dictatorship.
- Propaganda for many years demonizing Tutsi population.
- In April of 1994- Hutu leader killed. Hutu people take revenge on Tutsi’s by declaring a war on all Tutsi people- massacre begins.