

## Yellow Triangle – Christy Moore

**Notes:** Martin Niemöller (1892-1984) was a German anti-Nazi theologian and Lutheran pastor. Although he initially supported Hitler, he opposed the nazification of German Protestant churches. After being imprisoned in Sachsenhausen and Dachau concentration camps from 1937 to 1945, he became an ardent pacifist, anti-war activist and campaigner for nuclear disarmament. You can find his biography on Wikipedia.

*They came first for the Communists,  
and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Communist.  
Then they came for the trade unionists,  
and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a trade unionist.  
Then they came for the Jews,  
and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Jew.  
Then they came for me  
and by that time no one was left to speak up.*  
- Pastor Martin Niemöller (1892-1984)

### ACTIVITY 1. Circle the colours you hear:

BLACK - BLUE – BROWN – GREEN – GREY – LILAC – ORANGE – PINK – PURPLE – RED – WHITE - YELLOW

### ACTIVITY 2. Write the past simple and the past participle of the following verbs:

BE \_\_\_\_\_

LEAVE \_\_\_\_\_

BEGIN \_\_\_\_\_

ROUND \_\_\_\_\_

COME \_\_\_\_\_

SPEAK \_\_\_\_\_

FETCH \_\_\_\_\_

TAKE \_\_\_\_\_

GATHER \_\_\_\_\_

WEAR \_\_\_\_\_

### ACTIVITY 3. Complete the lyrics with the colours and verbs (in any form) from the previous activities:

\_\_\_\_\_ triangle, \_\_\_\_\_ triangle

\_\_\_\_\_ triangle, \_\_\_\_\_ triangle

\_\_\_\_\_ triangle, \_\_\_\_\_ triangle

And they \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ triangle

When first they \_\_\_\_\_ for the criminals I did not \_\_\_\_\_

Then they \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ the Jews

When they \_\_\_\_\_ the people who \_\_\_\_\_ members of trade unions

I did not \_\_\_\_\_

They \_\_\_\_\_ away the Bible students, \_\_\_\_\_ up the homosexuals

Then they \_\_\_\_\_ up the immigrants and the gypsies

I did not \_\_\_\_\_, I did not \_\_\_\_\_

Eventually they \_\_\_\_\_ for me

But there \_\_\_\_\_ no one \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ triangle, \_\_\_\_\_ triangle

\_\_\_\_\_ triangle, \_\_\_\_\_ triangle

\_\_\_\_\_ triangle, \_\_\_\_\_ triangle

And they \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ triangle (repeat 3 times)

I did not \_\_\_\_\_