



The concept of my collage revolves around the 1936 Olympics US Rowing team that won gold, unofficially known as the race heard around the world, and the weight of the burdensome events that surrounded it. America in a depression, poverty spreading faster than ever, and surging political tension across the world with the rise of new power; much was occurring all at once. With the rise of conflict around the world, my collage aims to highlight not just the epic victory of the US rowing team that took the world by surprise, but all that encircled this triumph, to really give an insight into the true importance of this event.

From the beginning, I did not want to make a collage simply on the race and the Olympics, but instead wanted to go further beyond and explore some of the key events that took control of the world. In 1936, much was going on all around the world. America was trying to find a way out of a seven-year depression, resulting in poverty never seen before in its history. As well, Europe was facing surging political tensions, mostly due to the rise of the Nazi party. Beyond that, little did most outsiders know at the time, record-breaking propaganda and antisemitism was spreading like wildfire across Germany. With all of this in mind, I wanted to highlight all of this and how these events have significantly impacted the world. The purpose of the Olympic stadium in the middle highlights the main focus of the collage, the center stage at the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin. Right under that, the group picture of the US rowing team comprises the largest space to highlight the main stars of it all. Then surrounding around the edges are some of the other events that plagued the world; the Great Depression, the Holocaust, and the rise of the Nazi party that slowly led the world into World War II.

In the end, I wanted to give a first-hand look at the world in 1936. How despite all of the problems we faced, we were able to witness glory watching the American rowing team triumph in the end for gold. My main goal for the collage was to showcase all of this, with specific placement to showcase the significance of each event intertwined with each other. No matter what, and no matter how hard things get, there always is a light at the end of the tunnel, and good always triumphs in the end.