WHAT CAUSES HATE?

REPRODUCIBLE WORKSHEET 9-1



Choose a specific hate crime:

Research this hate crime thoroughly. Explain in detail how it fits the four characteristics of hate crimes as follows, and then explore the crime in greater detail. Use this worksheet as an outline, and then present your information in a brief report.

- 1. In what way was the hatred intense and impersonal?
- 2. In what way was the hatred based on prejudice and power?
- 3. In what way was the hatred directed at scapegoats for other frustrations?



4. Could this crime have evolved into genocide? Explain.

- 5. Describe the childhood of the criminal(s) in as much detail as possible. To what extent might childhood events have influenced adult actions?
- 6. Describe the circumstances or events happening in the life of the criminal(s) involved, and the situation in which the hate crime was committed.