Discussion Questions
Marietta Blau

1. When and where did Marietta Blau receive her PhD? What did she study?

2. Where did Blau primarily conduct research throughout the 1920s and 1930s? Was she paid for this work?

3. Who were Blau’s peers and collaborators during the 1930s, and what was their ideology? Do you think this had an influence on their research or relationships?

4. What was the major discovery made in 1937 by Marietta Blau and Hertha Wambacher, which they published in *Nature*?

5. In Hamburg, what did Blau claim happened to her scientific work and records as she attempted to flee to Norway during the German annexation of Austria?

6. What famous scientist helped Marietta Blau find accommodations and work in Mexico City and then the United States?

7. Who won the Nobel Prize (in 1950) using the emulsion techniques developed by Blau and Wambacher? Do you think Blau should have received recognition?