Video Worksheet: Historical Memory

Instructions: After watching each video, write in your own words what you think the scholar means by the statements below.

Video 1: “What is historical memory?” (Professor Magdalena Gross)
“...what’s written or remembered publicly is dictated by whoever is in power.” [1:55]

Video 2: “How do governments and citizens shape historical memory?” (Professor Gross)
“...official memory, sanctioned...by the state.” [0:15]

“...alternative narratives of what happened.” [0:31]

Video 3: “What are the consequences of forgetting historical violence?” (Professor Gross)
“...just because an official memory omits or forgets, trauma and historical violence is probably never really forgotten.... It comes up and rears its head at different time periods....” [0:11]

Video 4: “What is the difference between history and memory?” (Professor Christy Clark-Pujara)
“...often our history has been told as what we imagined it to be rather than what it actually was.” [0:14]

What does Professor Clark-Pujara say we should do when “...we are doing history”? [0:24]