



THE ROAD TO PEACE: A TEACHING GUIDE ON LOCAL AND GLOBAL TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE

Alignment with Academic Standards

Currently, each activity is aligned with Minnesota Social Studies Standards as well as national English Language Arts for Social Studies standards. The Advocates will continue to add connections to other national and state standards.

LESSON 1: WHAT IS CONFLICT?

Goal: To define the term “conflict,” introduce students to the different dimensions of conflict, and analyze the causes and costs of armed conflict.

Activity 1.1: Defining Peace and Conflict

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 7.4.4.20.2, 8.4.3.14.1, 9.4.3.14.2

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 7.4.4.22.3

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standards 4, 7; Gr. 9-10, Standard 4

Activity 1.2: Dimensions of Conflict

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 7.4.1.2.1, 7.4.4.23.2, 9.4.3.14.2

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 8.1.5.12.1, 8.1.5.13.1, 9.1.5.10.3, 9.3.3.8.2, 9.3.3.8.3

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standards 1, 2, 4; Gr. 9-10, Standards 1, 2, 3; Gr. 11-12, Standard 2

LESSON 2: DECONSTRUCTING ARMED CONFLICT

Goal: To analyze the causes and costs of war and armed conflict.

Activity 2.1: The Roots of War and Peace

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 8.4.3.14.1, 9.4.3.14.1, 9.4.3.14.2

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 7.4.4.19.1, 7.4.4.19.3, 7.4.4.20.4, 7.4.4.20.7, 7.4.4.22.3, 7.4.4.23.2, 8.4.3.14.6, 9.3.3.8.2, 9.3.3.8.3

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standard 7

Activity 2.2: War Stories

Meets MN social studies standards: 8.4.3.14.1, 8.4.3.14.6, 9.4.3.14.2

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 7.4.4.23.2, 8.4.3.14.5, 9.3.3.8.2, 9.3.3.8.3

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standards 1, 2, 4, 6; Gr. 9-10, Standards 1, 2, 4; Gr. 11-12, Standard 2

Activity 2.3: Roads to Peace: How Societies Heal from Conflict

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 8.4.3.14.1, 9.4.3.14.2

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 8.1.5.12.1, 8.4.3.14.8

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standards 2, 3, 4; Gr. 9-10, Standards 2, 4; Gr. 11-12, Standard 2

LESSON 3: HUMAN RIGHTS DEFINED

Goal: To understand the definition of human rights.

Activity 3.1: What Are Human Rights?

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.4.4.23.2, 8.4.3.14.1, 8.4.3.14.5, 9.1.5.11.2

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 7.4.4.22.6, 8.1.5.12.1

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standards 2, 4; Gr. 9-10, Standards 2, 4; Gr. 11-12, Standard 2

Activity 3.2: What Does the Universal Declaration of Human Rights Mean to Me?

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.4.4.22.3, 8.4.3.14.5, 9.1.5.11.2

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.3.6.2, 7.1.5.11.1, 8.1.5.12.1

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standards 2, 7; Gr. 9-10, Standard 2; Gr. 11-12, Standard 2

Activity 3.3: Structural Violence

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 8.1.1.1.1, 8.4.3.14.1, 8.4.3.14.6, 9.1.1.1.1, 9.1.1.1.4, 9.4.3.14.2

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 7.3.3.3.1, 8.4.3.14.5

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 9-10, Standard 4

LESSON 4: WHAT IS JUSTICE?

Goal: To introduce students to the concept of justice in the world and in their lives.

Activity 4.1: Justice: In Our Own Words

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 8.4.3.14.1, 8.4.3.14.5, 9.4.3.14.2

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standards 4, 7; Gr. 9-10, Standard 4

LESSON 6: TRUTH COMMISSIONS

Goal: To gain a general understanding of the function of an international truth commission.

Activity 6.1: What are Truth and Reconciliation Commissions?

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1, 8.4.3.14.1, 8.4.3.14.5, 9.1.5.11.2, 9.4.3.14.2

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 7.4.4.23.2, 8.1.5.12.1, 8.4.3.14.8

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standards 1, 4; Gr. 9-10, Standards 1, 4; Gr. 11-12, Standard 1

Activity 6.2: Truth and Reconciliation Commission Role Play

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1, 8.1.1.1.1, 8.4.3.14.1, 9.1.1.1.1, 9.4.3.14.2

Meets no ELA for the social studies standards.

LESSON 7: MOCK TRIBUNAL

Goal: To provide students with a general understanding of the function of a War Crimes Tribunal and how it can be used to address violations of human rights and humanitarian law through a role play.

Activity 7.1: Mock Tribunal Role Play

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1, 8.1.1.1.1, 8.4.3.14.1, 9.1.1.1.1, 9.1.5.11.2, 9.3.3.8.1, 9.4.3.14.2

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 8.1.5.12.1, 9.1.5.10.2

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standard 4; Gr. 9-10, Standard 4

LESSON 8: MAKING THE CONNECTION

Goal: To connect global conflict and transitional justice mechanisms to conflict in one's own life and country.

Activity 8.1: Let's Talk about Our History

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1, 7.4.4.20.4, 8.4.3.14.1, 9.3.3.8.3, 9.4.3.14.2, 9.4.4.20.5, 9.4.4.21.6, 9.4.4.22.5, 9.4.4.22.8

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 7.4.4.19.1, 7.4.4.19.3, 7.4.4.22.6, 9.4.4.19.4, 9.4.4.19.6, 9.4.4.20.4, 9.4.4.20.8, 9.4.4.22.7

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standards 1, 2, 7; Gr. 9-10, Standards 1, 2; Gr. 11-12, Standards 1, 2

Activity 8.2: From the Classroom to the World

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 8.1.1.1.1, 8.4.3.14.1, 9.1.1.1.1, 9.4.3.14.2

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 9.3.3.8.2

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standard 3

Activity 8.3: Don't Just Stand There!

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1, 8.1.1.1.1, 9.1.1.1.1

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standards 1, 2, 4; Gr. 9-10, Standards 1, 2, 4; Gr. 11-12, Standards 1, 2

LESSON 9: RECONCILIATION ON A LOCAL LEVEL

Goal: To understand and practice peace and reconciliation on a local level.

Activity 9.1: Transitional Justice Fundamentals

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1, 8.1.1.1.1, 9.1.1.1.1

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standards 3, 4, 7; Gr. 9-10, Standard 4

Activity 9.2: Finding Common Ground: Peer Mediation Role Play

Meets MN social studies standards: 6.1.1.1.1, 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1, 8.1.1.1.1, 9.1.1.1.1, 9.1.2.3.3

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standard 3

LESSON 9: RECONCILIATION ON A LOCAL LEVEL (Continued)

Goal: To understand and practice peace and reconciliation on a local level.

Activity 9.3: Community Conferencing Role Play

Meets MN social studies standards: 6.1.1.1.3, 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1, 8.1.1.1.1, 9.1.1.1.1, 9.1.1.1.4, 9.1.3.4.5

Partially meets MN social studies standards: 5.1.1.1.1

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standard 3

LESSON 10: TAKE ACTION!

Goal: To have students take action on an issue related to transitional justice.

Activity 10.1: 100 Ways to be a Peacemaker

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1, 8.1.1.1.1, 9.1.1.1.1, 9.1.2.3.2, 9.1.3.4.5

Meets no ELA for the social studies standards.

Activity 10.2: Peace Heroes

Meets MN social studies standards: 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1, 8.1.1.1.1, 9.1.1.1.1, 9.1.2.3.2, 9.1.3.4.5

Meets ELA for the social studies standards: Gr. 6-8, Standard 2; Gr. 9-10, Standard 2; Gr. 11-12, Standard 2

Activity 10.3: Peace Challenge

Meets MN social studies standards: 5.1.1.1.2, 6.1.1.1.3, 7.1.1.1.1, 7.1.3.6.1, 8.1.1.1.1, 9.1.1.1.1, 9.1.1.1.4, 9.1.3.4.5

Meets no ELA for the social studies standards.