

## Suggested activities for teachers to undertake using the video on terrorism and violent extremism: sheet 4

Cognitive	Socio-emotional	Behavioural	Teacher
The knowledge and thinking skills necessary to better understand the world and its complexities	The values, attitudes and social skills that enable learners to develop psychosocially and physically, and to live with others respectfully and peacefully	Conduct, performance, practical application and engagement	Consider which activities you might undertake using the video. Reflect on why you selected the activity and how you plan to implement it
Debate: Unjust Laws – Should They Be Obeyed?	Media Literacy From Around the World	Be a Fact Checker!	
		Time: 30 minutes	
Time: 60-90 minutes (this lesson can	Time: 30 minutes		
be taught over two class periods)		<b>Topics</b> : Propaganda, fake news,	
	Topic: Media literacy as a means of	media and information literacy as a	
<b>Topics:</b> How to create positive	preventing violent extremism	means of preventing violent	
change, non-violence, civil disobedience	through education	extremism through education	
disobedience	Grade level: Upper secondary (16-	Grade level: Lower secondary (12-	
Grade level: Upper secondary (16-	18)	15)	
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	Materials:	Materials:	
Materials:			
	The video on terrorism and	The video on terrorism and	
The video on terrorism and	violent extremism	violent extremism	
violent extremism	<u>Newseum Front Pages resource</u>	<u>Wikimedia statistics</u>	
<ul> <li>Background resource: the Discussing Non-violence: The</li> </ul>			



Letter from the Birmingham Jail	Learning outcomes: students should	Learning outcomes: students should
lesson	be able to:	be able to:
• The discussion guide on the		
Letter from Birmingham Jail	• Develop a critical approach to	<ul> <li>Develop a critical approach to</li> </ul>
• Six Steps for Nonviolent Social	news coverage	news coverage
Change handout		Fact check a Wikipedia article
• Six Principles of Nonviolence	Description:	
handout		Description:
	• After viewing and discussing the	
Learning outcomes: students should	video, ask the students to	<ul> <li>After viewing and discussing the</li> </ul>
be able to:	explore the role that media	video, ask the students to
	plays in building bridges of	consider what actions they can
<ul> <li>Develop claims and supporting</li> </ul>	understanding and tolerance	take to verify the information
arguments to address the	between different religious and	they read on the Internet or are
concept of unjust laws, civil	cultural groups.	exposed to on news outlets?
disobedience and non-violence		
<ul> <li>Practice communication,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ask the students how different</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Begin by asking the students to</li> </ul>
negotiation and advocacy skills	news outlets in their	raise their hand if they have ever
	communities or around the	used Wikipedia. Next, ask them
Description:	world might report an act of	to research Wikipedia user
	terrorism like the one depicted	statistics (e.g., by country) The
<ul> <li>After viewing and discussing the</li> </ul>	in the video?	students can check Wikipedia
video, ask the students to being		user statistics <u>here</u> .
researching and preparing for	Activity:	
the debate. The students can		Divide the students into groups
use the following for	<ul> <li>To see how certain events may be reported differently.</li> </ul>	and ask them to choose a topic
background information.	be reported differently, introduce the class to the	of and search for it on
- Dissussion guide on the	Newseum Front Pages resource,	Wikipedia. They must read the
• Discussion guide on the	which shows newspaper front	information about the topic on Wikipodia
Letter from Birmingham Jail	pages from all over the world.	Wikipedia.





- Six Steps for Nonviolent
   Social Change handout
- Six Principles of Nonviolence handout
- The subject of the debate is "How can we address unjust laws or systems and should unjust laws be obeyed or disobeyed?"
- In the Letter from the Birmingham Jail, Martin Luther King, Jr., describes two types of laws: just and unjust. Examples of unjust laws include the Nuremberg Laws in Nazi Germany that discriminated against the Jews and the Jim Crow laws in the United States.
- An example of a Jim Crow law was the anti-miscegenation laws that banned interracial marriage. Fourteen states in the United States abolished antimiscegenation laws between 1948 and 1967.
- The students should debate how to deal with an unjust law.

- Ask the students to note how different newspapers from around the world report on the same event. The students should select newspapers from different countries, including newspapers from their local area or region.
- What are the similarities and differences? How do headlines, photographs, data visuals, font choices, and the overall placement of stories influence how the stories are told and understood?
- Invite the students to share their findings with the class.

• After reading the information on Wikipedia, ask the students to fact check some of the references or sources that are cited to see if the information was used correctly in the

Wikipedia article.

- What should they look for? The students should look for inaccuracies, information used out of context or information that is falsified in any way. The editing function can be used to correct misinformation if time allows or as an extension project.
- Invite the groups to share their topics and findings with the class. This activity will remind the students to be careful about accepting information at face value without checking the source.

## Extension: Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

 Ask the students to identify what topics they are very knowledgeable about and invite



them to help create or edit a Wikipedia page about the topics.
<ul> <li>Encourage the students to identify topics that are underrepresented on Wikipedia, such as those relevant to minority groups.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Work with teachers, parents and community members to host a Wikipedia edit-a-thon.</li> </ul>