

DESTINATION PEACE: WEB RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS

United Nations

United Nations Education Website

<http://www.un.org/Pubs/CyberSchoolBus/>

Description: Includes a diverse curriculum on global issues including: poverty; world hunger; ethnic discrimination; racial discrimination; human rights; health; indigenous peoples; and peace education.

United Nations Peace Curriculum

<http://www.un.org/cyberschoolbus/peace/home.asp>

Description: Includes five teaching units designed to represent central themes and methods in educating for a culture of peace in: ecological thinking and respect for life; tolerance and respect for dignity and identity; critical thinking active non-violence; social justice and civic responsibility; and leadership and global citizenship.

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

<http://www.ibe.unesco.org/en.html>

“The world urgently requires global visions of sustainable development based upon observance of human rights, mutual respect and the alleviation of poverty, all of which lie at the heart of UNESCO’s mission and activities.”

Description: Includes thematic and worldwide links to governmental and non-governmental organizations working together to achieve common goals related to: freedom of expression; eradication of poverty; water and associated eco-systems; basic education for all; ethics of science and technology; and cultural diversity.

International Bureau of Education (IBE)

<http://www.ibe.unesco.org/en.html>

Description: Includes links on curriculum development; conflict and social cohesion; Inclusive Education; and links to global educational communities.

Download a copy of the 2008-2013 Strategic Plan at:

http://www.ibe.unesco.org/fileadmin/user_upload/Publications/Institutional_Docs/IBE_STRATEGY08_en.pdf

International Day of Peace: 9/21

Conflict Resolution

Peace Education Foundation

<http://www.peaceeducation.org/index.html>

Description: Started by two teachers in Florida, this non-profit organization has been promoting curriculum resources in conflict resolution to schools since 1981. Today, it consults the Economic and Social Counsel of the United Nations and provides conflict resolution materials to schools worldwide.

“We believe that peace education, within a framework of traditional values such as justice, honesty and responsibility, encourages the emotional, intellectual, ethical and social growth of children.”

Education World: 10 Websites on Conflict Resolution

http://www.education-world.com/a_curr/curr170.shtml

Educators for Social Responsibility

<http://www.esrnational.org/>

Description: This website provides free lesson plans for teachers on a variety of topics related to conflict resolution. Teachers sign up and then have access to a comprehensive data base of resources. The online store also has books and other curriculum resources.

“Educators for Social Responsibility (ESR) helps educators create safe, caring, respectful, and productive learning environments. We also help educators work with young people to develop the social skills, emotional competencies, and qualities of character they need to succeed in school and become contributing members of their communities.”

Teaching Peace

Teaching Peace - A Guide for the Classroom and Everyday Life by Leah Wells, October, 2003

<http://www.wagingpeace.org/menu/programs/youth-outreach/peace-ed-book/teaching-peace.pdf>

Description: This is a free downloadable 84 page book in PDF format. Each chapter has a list of concepts; a set of cooperative group lesson plans, and a list of resources. Sample chapter titles include: What Would Gandhi do?, Civil Rights - Past and Present, Women in the Peacemaking Process, and Local and Global Non-Violent Action. Adaptable to all grade-levels, but best for MS & HS.

Nobel Peace Laureate Project

http://www.nobelpeacelaureates.org/teach_peace.html

Description: Biographical lessons on each of the 22 American Nobel Peace Prize Laureates show the many ways people can contribute to a more peaceful world and to inspire future peacemakers. The emphasis is on what these people and groups did to gain worldwide acclaim for their efforts to bring about a more peaceful world. This website includes free lesson plans at all instructional levels.

The Nobel Peace Laureate Project is a grass roots organization in Eugene, Oregon created to promote peace by honoring and inspiring peacemakers. The group is composed of educators, political activists, and concerned citizens who want to work for world peace.

<http://nobelprize.org>

Description: Nobelprize.org provides comprehensive, first-hand information about the Nobel Prize and Nobel Laureates in Physics, Chemistry, Physiology or Medicine, Literature and Peace starting in 1901, as well as the Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel and the Economics Laureates starting in 1969. Visitors to the site also get to know about Alfred Nobel, the man behind the Nobel Prize.

http://nobelprize.org/educational_games/

Description: Educational games can be played online based on different categories of the Nobel Peace Prize: Physics; Chemistry; Literature; Medicine; Economics; etc.

Peace Corps

<http://www.peacecorps.gov/wws/educators/enrichment/wanzuzu/>

Description: This educational site is provided by the Peace Corps and includes searchable lesson plans by grade level, topic, and global areas. Called World Wise Schools, this would be a good introduction to teaching students about global citizenship and service learning. It also includes a game called The Peace Corps' Challenge.