

Peace Curriculum Resources

Diamond, Louise, *The Peace Book*. Bristol, VT: The Peace Company, 2001.

This book offers "108 simple ways to create a more peaceful world."

Hamill, Sam, ed., *Poets Against The War*. New York: Thunder's Mountain Press, 2003.

The poems in this anthology were culled from over 13,000 poems which were submitted to the Poets Against War website after the editor was invited to a White House Symposium on "Poetry & the American Voice," and sent out an appeal for poems he could share. The event was subsequently cancelled, when it became apparent that poets attending planned to read anti-war poetry.

Lee, Thomas, *Battlebabble*. Monroe, Maine: Common Courage Press, 2005.

Subtitled "Selling War in America," this book is a unique dictionary of the words used in the rhetoric of war.

Monseau, Virginia R., ed., *A Curriculum of Peace: Selected Essays from English Journal*. Urbana, IL: NCTE Press, 2004.

Offers practical classroom strategies for teaching students about peace through literature and personal writing.

Nhat Hanh, Thich, *Being Peace*. Berkeley, CA: Parallax Press, 1996.

This is a collection of speeches given by a Vietnamese monk to peaceworkers and students during a tour in 1985. His clear prose and his clear examples make plain his idea that peace begins with the individual.

Online Resources

United States Institute of Peace (USIP), Teaching Guide on Peace Education for English Language Learners found at www.usip.org/class/guides/conflict.html

United Nations Peace Education Curriculum
www.un.org/cyberschoolbus/peace/home.asp

Cultivating Peace: downloadable curriculum of ready-to-use student activities
www.cultivatingpeace.ca/cpmaterials/

Learn Peace: A reference document with skills, values, strategies needed to promote peace
www.ppu.org.uk/learn/peaceed/pe_ednetcurriculum.html

Hague Appeal for Peace: ready-to-use curriculum
www.haguepeace.org

Celebrate United Nations International Peace Day on September 21st.

Get your students involved in marking this day. For more ideas go to < www.internationaldayofpeace.org > .

Write a classroom Declaration of Peace

Think together about all of the ways we as individuals could promote peace. Then, each person should choose one or more things that they will commit to doing.

Write a pledge of allegiance as "Citizens of the Earth."

Make a Paper Peace Quilt

Invite students to make a "quilt square" out of paper (either as a collage, drawing, or mixed media piece) that visually represents their idea of peace. Mount individual squares on a larger piece of paper to put on display in the classroom or in a public space in the building.

Dedicate a Peace Pole

Peace poles are four- or six-sided poles that have the words "May Peace Prevail on Earth" inscribed in various languages on all sides. There are over 200,000 peace poles standing in countries around the world. Find out more at < www.worldpeace.org/peacepoles.html > .