



Grundtvig Learning Partnership (Inter)national Days

January 30th
World Day for Non-violence and
Peace



JANUARY 30th, WORLD DAY FOR NON-VIOLENCE AND PEACE

Objectives:

- To think about the causes, consequences and possible ways to solve the Palestinian / Israeli conflict from the point of view of the man in the street.

Background:

30th January commemorates the death of the national and spiritual Indian leader Mahatma Gandhi, assassinated by a fanatic Hindu in January 30th, 1948. In 1993 UNESCO created the World Day for Non-violence and Peace to pay memory to his death and his non-violent struggle for civil rights and against injustice.

The basic message in this Day is “Universal love, Non-violence and Peace. Universal love is better than egoism, non-violence is better than violence, Peace is better than war”.

Process:

We make three groups:

- Israeli persons living near the Palestinian border
- Palestinian persons living in Gaza
- International peacemakers

Each group will answer the same 3 questions with the help of images, pictures or drawings (they can also use some words or very very short sentences that can be easily translated to the other languages) in a poster.

Each group will get a bank of images to select those that better reflect their ideas and then they will print them. If the time allows it, they can also look for more images on the Internet.

Questions to answer:

- what are you afraid of?
- what are your wishes?
- how could this conflict be solved?