

# HomeTalk

thoughtful conversations for families and schools

## Issue 41 – Peace

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# This week's focus is peace

I think that the best way to solve problems and to fight against war is through dialogue.



**Malala Yousafzai**

activist, author, speaker, youngest Nobel Peace Prize winner, UN Messenger of Peace 2014

God gives us things to share, God doesn't give us things to hold.



**Mother Teresa**  
Roman Catholic nun and missionary

When the power of love overcomes the love of power, the world will know peace.



**Jimi Hendrix**  
musician, songwriter

# Thinking about peace

## Caring thinking

How can we help people to see that peace can be found even when people disagree?

## Collaborative thinking

How can people work together to find peace for warring countries?



## Creative thinking

What can peace look like?  
What can peace feel like?  
Can you hear peace?

## Critical thinking

Should we always live peacefully?

Have you ever felt peaceful?  
What were you doing?

Will humans ever achieve world peace?

Which words have similar meanings to 'peace'?

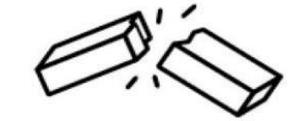


Think **AHEAD**

Think **BACK**

**CONNECT**

What are the differences between peace and silence?



**DIVIDE**

**LISTEN/LOOK**

**ZOOM (in/out)**

Ask people what makes them feel peaceful.

What ways have people managed to communicate peace across the world?

Who was a peace-maker? What can you find out about them?

# Discussion suggestions (age 3 - 5)

## Stimulus



[https://youtu.be/2\\_0S-wmpF48](https://youtu.be/2_0S-wmpF48)

### **Five Minutes' Peace by Jill Murphy**

**Will Mrs. Large be able to get five minutes' peace?**

## Talking Points

- What does peace feel like to you? Ask your grown-up what they think peace feels like.
- What does peace smell like to you? Ask your grown-up what they think.
- What does peace look like to you? Ask your grown-up.

## Activities

- Go for a walk and think about what peace feels like.
- Draw a picture of what peace looks like to you. It can be lots of things.
- Can peace be found in sounds? Find some sounds that make you feel peaceful.

# Discussion suggestions (age 6 - 9)

## Stimulus



<https://youtu.be/hXA3837uv3w>

**I Am Peace – written by Susan Verde and illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds.**

This story explores the many ways in which we can be at peace within ourselves. There are many beautiful metaphors used for how we can feel.

## Talking Points

- What do you think the author means when she says, “I feel like a boat with no anchor”?
- How could you describe the feeling of peace?
- How do you make your worries “pop” and “disappear”?

## Activities

- Go on a “noticing walk”. What things makes you feel the “here” and “now”?
- What words would you use to describe how peace feels within yourself?
- What words mean the opposite to peace? These may be good feelings as well, like “excited”.

# Discussion suggestions (age 10+)

## Stimulus



[https://youtu.be/f5\\_YdJ8\\_w4k](https://youtu.be/f5_YdJ8_w4k)

### **Peace One Day – 21st September**

In this clip, the founder of Peace One Day, Jeremy Gilley, talks about his path to creating this day and the positive action as a result. For example, one day of ceasefire in Afghanistan allowed millions of children to be given the polio vaccine.

## Talking Points

- How does this clip make you feel?
- Where in the world do you think peace is needed?
- What could you do to promote peace?

## Activities

- Imagine you are in charge of Peace One Day. You can give or do something for the children involved in conflict on that one day of peace. What would you do or give?
- Draw a picture to send to a child in a country at war. How can you create images of peace?

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