



**Elementary Public and Catholic School Activities for International Day of Peace  
September 21, 2013**

***What is Peace One Day? Lesson for Primary Classes***

**TOPIC:** Introduction to the International Day of Peace

**LENGTH:** Introductory lesson -30 to 40 minutes. Planning activity to celebrate Peace Day-length of time depends on activity.


**SOURCES:** The Peace One Day Primary Education Resource and [www.youtube.ca](http://www.youtube.ca)

**Lesson objectives:**

Students should be able to:

- Understand why Jeremy Gilley established Sept. 21 as an annual Peace Day
- Explain what peace is
- Explain what/how children can do/act on Peace Day, Sept. 21
- Celebrate Peace Day

	<b>What teachers do</b>	<b>What students do</b>
<b>Before</b>	<p>Preview these 3 short videos</p> <p>Primary Education: Peace One Day (Jeremy tells primary students about celebrating Peace Day with no fighting or bullying, examples of art, soccer, dance, make a cake)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=igFt6s5rIEM">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=igFt6s5rIEM</a></li> </ul> <p>Saving Lives: Peace Day is working (Short intro to peace one day, shows talks about cessation of conflict so organizations can move food supplies and immunize children)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tUnHoujtLVY">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tUnHoujtLVY</a></li> </ul> <p>Peace One Day in Amalina Islamic School, Indonesia (students celebrating Peace Day)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zgcagBTzFME">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zgcagBTzFME</a></li> </ul> <p>Be prepared to answer any questions. Think about this year's theme: <i>What will you do to make peace on 21 September?</i></p>	<p>Watch any or all of the 3 video clips.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>During</b></p>	<p>Chart: Create a web of what peace may look like. Chart: List different ways we can celebrate peace.</p> <p>Teach (secular) song: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mny3h6_NAyk">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mny3h6_NAyk</a> (My Peace by folk singer Arlo Guthrie. Tune he teaches at the end of each concert. Simple and beautiful) <a href="http://www.arlo.net/forums/viewtopic.php?t=3284">http://www.arlo.net/forums/viewtopic.php?t=3284</a> (Words and guitar music for My Peace by Arlo Guthrie)</p> <p>Teach (christian) song: <u>Let There Be Peace on Earth</u> (Sy Miller and Jill Jackson) NALR [Vince Gill and children - <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HPH4LRASWbo">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HPH4LRASWbo</a> ]</p>	<p>Discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is Peace One Day?</li> <li>• What does peace look like?</li> <li>• How can we celebrate peace?</li> <li>• What will you do to make peace on September (20) 21?</li> <li>• Discuss song and its meaning</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>After</b></p>	<p>Choose ways to celebrate:</p> <p>Excellent examples given in The Peace One Day Primary Education Resource (you will need to register to access resources: <a href="http://peaceoneday.org/resources/">http://peaceoneday.org/resources/</a>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-art-peace signs, symbols, posters</li> <li>-music: type in "peace songs" on youtube to generate a number of songs. Play "Ode to Joy" by Beethoven</li> <li>-dance: have a dance-a-thon</li> <li>-play –day: can involve the whole school</li> <li>-soccer games</li> <li>-food: bake together as a class</li> <li>-walk a peace parade</li> <li>-go for a walk in the neighbourhood</li> <li>-photographs: put students into a peace sign formation and take a photo</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Celebrate Peace Day</li> </ul> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>