

Lesson Plan Holocaust Unit Denial

Curriculum for Excellence Experience & Outcomes:

I recognise that each individual has a unique blend of abilities and needs. I contribute to making my school community one which values individuals equally and is a welcoming place for all.

HWB 3-10a / HWB 4-10a

Teaching & Learning	Suggested Time
Introduce class to the topic with an informal discussion: 1. Have you heard of Holocaust Denial before? 2. What is Holocaust Denial? (See Teacher Notes [TN] for Discussion Guidance [DG])	5 minutes
Section 1: Examples of Holocaust Denial Show class Slide 2.	10 minutes
Ask the class to demonstrate their reaction to Slide 2 by choosing an action: • Stand on a chair if they are outraged	
 Stand up if they are shocked Sit down if they are not shocked. 	
Select several students to share with their reaction with the class.	
Section 2. What is Holocaust Denial? Using Slide 3 & [TN] explain the origins and cultivation of Holocaust denial.	10 minutes
Then, using <i>Slide 4</i> , explain the central arguments of Holocaust denial.	
Section 3. Why is it so dangerous? Split class into equal groups and ask them to discuss the dangers of Holocaust denial. Ask them to take notes on their discussion to share later. Use the following questions to provoke discussion (See Slide 5 & [TN] for [DG]): • What are the effects of Holocaust Denial? • Is it anti-Semitism (anti-Jewish)?	10 minutes
Ask groups to share why they believe Holocaust Denial is so dangerous.	