

Chapter 6. Human Rights Today

Supplemental Resources

Activities, Study Questions, Critical Thinking, Research Suggestions, Discussion Topics, Readings

Chapter 6.1 The Role of the United Nations in Protecting Human Rights

1. What was the impetus for enacting the Universal Declaration of Human Rights?
 - a. What were the obstacles in successfully implementing human rights during the early years of the United Nations?
2. Conduct research on a particular United Nations' agency that interests you.

Chapter 6.2 Regional Human Rights Organizations

1. Do you think these organizations have been successful in promoting human rights in their region? Cite examples.

Chapter 6.3 Promotion of Human Rights by States

1. Find examples of the how states play an important role in international human rights law by creating and ratifying human rights treaties.

Chapter 6.4 Non-Governmental Organizations

1. What organization do you think has the most important mission?
2. What other organizations would you add to the list in your book? Why?

Chapter 6.5 Local Human Rights Organization

1. What are the human rights organizations in your local community?
 - a. Visit these organizations and see what they do. Perhaps you can volunteer.

Chapter 6.6 The Focus of Human Rights in the Future

1. What do you think is the most important human rights issue in the future? Why?

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Documentaries: War Dance 2008

Set in war-ravaged Northern Uganda, the Oscar-nominated War Dance will touch your heart with a real-life story about a group of children whose love of music brings joy, excitement and hope back into their poverty-stricken lives. Three children who have suffered horrific brutalities momentarily forget their struggles as they participate in music, song and dance at their school. Invited to compete in a prestigious music festival in their nation's capital, their historic journey is a stirring tale about the power of the human spirit to triumph against tremendous odds.

Human Rights Organizations:

Amnesty International www.amnesty.org

Carter Center <http://www.cartercenter.org/index.html>

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Center for Global Awareness

www.global-awareness.org

Genocide Education Project <http://www.genocideeducation.org/>

Genocide Intervention Fund (GIF) www.genocideintervention.net

Genocide Resource Library for Teachers <http://www.teachgenocide.org/workshops-events/index.htm>

Genocide Watch www.genocidewatch.org

Human Rights Watch <http://www.hrw.org/en/home>

International Committee of the Red Cross <http://www.icrc.org/eng>

Prevent Genocide International www.preventgenocide.org

Save Darfur www.savedarfur.org

UNICEF United Nations Unite for Children <http://www.unicef.org/index.php>

Wapedia, List of War Crimes http://wapedia.mobi/en/List_of_war_crimes

World is Witness part of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum
<http://blogs.ushmm.org/WorldIsWitness/>