



9th Grade World Geography

TEACHING ABOUT RELIGION IN A MULTICULTURAL SETTING

HOW AND WHAT TO TEACH ABOUT RELIGION IN
PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM EDUCATIONAL
ORGANIZATIONS



National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS)

Founded in 1921, the National Council for the Social Studies engages educators in many disciplines to "...advocate and build capacity for high-quality social studies by providing leadership services, and support to educators." The NCSS offers guidance for educators using their C3 Framework which "...emphasizes the acquisition and application of knowledge to prepare students for college, career, and civic life."

"The academic study of religion is an essential part of any social studies education, and the NCSS strongly supports its inclusion in the curriculum. The study of religion is a critical lens for understanding human existence in its broader cultural context..."
- NCSS

Resources

[College, Career, and Civic Life \(C3\) Framework for Social Studies State Standards: Guidance for Enhancing the Rigor of K-12 Civics, Economics, Geography, and History](#)
(Religious Studies Companion Document)

Learning for Justice

Founded in 1991, Learning for Justice, formerly Teaching Tolerance, strives to support educators through a "continual cycle of education and engagement" in areas of Culture and Climate, Curriculum and Instruction, Leadership, and Family and Community Engagement. Learning for Justice provides webinars and grab-and-go lessons that help students "...explore diversity and identity, recognize injustice and learn to take action."

"Whether discussing religious extremism or debating the school holiday calendar with administrators, our resources support informed conversations. Learn more about the benefits of teaching about religion and best practices for serving students of all faiths - and no faith."
- Learning for Justice

Articles & Lessons

[You CAN Teach About Religion in Public School!](#)

[Teaching About Religion](#)

[Taking a Closer Look at Religions Around the World](#)

How do I use these resources in my classroom?

Having trouble deciding HOW to teach about religion?

The NCSS offers a step by step guide on how to teach about religion in their C3 Framework!

Having trouble deciding WHAT to teach about religion?

Learning for Justice provides many quick lessons about religion, as well as articles on how to discuss religion in the classroom.



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