

**STAND UP
TO JEWISH
HATE**

LESSON PLAN FOR 6TH - 12TH GRADE

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Ask students: what is antisemitism?

After taking a few responses, share the definition:

“Antisemitism is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities.”

INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE ALLIANCE

Watch this video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yqk73lbyYpM>

DISCUSS:

What impact do you think this campaign will have?

Why is this an important topic today?

I'm beginning to wonder....

Watch this video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YgQ2loCYffs>

DISCUSS:

I was surprised...

I was confused about...

I'm still wondering...

How can you help combat hate speech?

TAKE PART IN THE BLUE SQUARE CAMPAIGN

Give each student a blue post-it note

On the blue post-it note, have each student write a word or phrase of encouragement that shows support for the Jewish community or a statement against hate using a dark colored writing utensil.

Be sure to put a # before your word or statement.

Ask students to tape their blue post-it message on their locker or in another prominent place determined by the school.

By having students display their messages, your school will create a strong stand against hate speech and antisemitism.