

# **Combatting Antisemitism**

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# **U.S.** National Strategy to Counter Antisemitism

In May 2023, the Biden-Harris Administration released the first-ever <u>U.S. National Strategy to Combat Antisemitism</u>. The Strategy outlines a whole-of-society effort to combat antisemitism, including unprecedented, coordinated, and bold actions that will be implemented across government agencies, as well as calls to action for public officials, private sector leaders, and Americans from every sector, industry, and walk of life. The Strategy—which reflects input from over 1,000 Jewish community stakeholders, faith and civil rights leaders, State and local officials, and more—also serves as a blueprint for tackling other forms of bigotry, hate, and bias that fuel toxic divisions in America.

# **Definitions of Antisemitism**

## International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA)

https://www.holocaustremembrance.com/resources/working-definitions-charters/working-definition-antisemitism

The experts in the IHRA's Committee on Antisemitism and Holocaust Denial built an international consensus around a non-legally binding working definition of antisemitism.

#### The Jerusalem Declaration on Antisemitism

https://jerusalemdeclaration.org/

The Jerusalem Declaration is a tool to identify, confront and raise awareness about antisemitism, including a set of 15 guidelines that delineate between what is antisemitism and what is considered legitimate criticism of Israeli policy.

## The Nexus Document

https://israelandantisemitism.com/the-nexus-document/

This definition of antisemitism, and the examples that follow, were drafted by the Nexus Task Force, which examines the issues at the nexus of antisemitism and Israel in American politics.



# **Websites, Articles and General Resources**

## Anti-Defamation League (ADL)

## **Resources to Address and Challenge Antisemitism**

https://www.adl.org/resources/tools-and-strategies/resources-address-and-challenge-antisemitism

Information on antisemitism today, incidents by the numbers, and educational resources for understanding and combating antisemitism.

## **Research and Analysis**

https://www.adl.org/resources/research-analysis

ADL at Work: Challenging Antisemitism and Bias in the Workplace

https://www.adl.org/adl-at-work

## American Jewish Committee (AJC)

Translate Hate: Stopping Antisemitism Starts with Understanding It

https://www.ajc.org/translatehate

Provides resources for understanding antisemitism and how it appears in society today and online, including a Translate Hate Glossary with detailed information on antisemitic terms, themes, and memes.

## **Everything You Need to Know About Antisemitism,**

https://www.ajc.org/resources/antisemitism?utm\_campaign=PANTHEON\_STRIPPED&utm\_source=PANTHEON\_STRIPPED&utm\_medium=PANTHEON\_STRIPPED&utm\_content=PANTHEON\_STRIPPED

The resources include key insights on antisemitism and explanations of things like philosemitism, white supremacy, Holocaust distortion, conspiracy theories, and more.

# United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

#### Addressing antisemitism through education

https://www.unesco.org/en/education-addressing-antisemitism

These resources enable learners to recognize and counter contemporary antisemitism, including guidelines and toolkits, videos, news articles, and related content.



# **Museum Resources**

Institute of Museums and Library Services, Council of American Jewish Museums Museums Respond: Strategies for Countering Antisemitism & Hate

https://www.imls.gov/sites/default/files/2025-01/museums-respond-field-guide.pdf

This guide provides museums and educators with approaches, themes, and tools for addressing antisemitism.

## **Educator Resources**

#### **United States Holocaust Memorial Museum**

Learning About Antisemitism: Professional Development Training Videos for Educators <a href="https://www.ushmm.org/teach/opportunities-for-educators/professional-development-training-videos/learning-about-antisemitism">https://www.ushmm.org/teach/opportunities-for-educators/professional-development-training-videos/learning-about-antisemitism</a>

This collection of videos allows educators to learn more about antisemitism and the role it played in making the Holocaust possible.

## Facing History and Ourselves

Collection – Old Hatred, New Paradigms: Combating Antisemitism in the Twenty-First Century <a href="https://www.facinghistory.org/resource-library/old-hatred-new-paradigms-combating-antisemitism-twenty-first-century#materials-downloads">https://www.facinghistory.org/resource-library/old-hatred-new-paradigms-combating-antisemitism-twenty-first-century#materials-downloads</a>

This collection of resources is designed to help educators integrate the study of tradition and contemporary antisemitism into their efforts at combating prejudices and stereotypes in the classroom.

#### Responding to Antisemitism in the Classroom

https://www.facinghistory.org/ideas-week/responding-antisemitism-classroom

This resource provides teachers and educators with tools to help students understand the impact of antisemitism and how to stand up against hate.

**Facing Hate: Confronting Antisemitism in Our Schools** 

https://www.facinghistory.org/learning-events/facing-hate-confronting-antisemitism-our-schools

This professional learning opportunity allows teachers to unpack the challenges and opportunities of addressing antisemitism in classrooms.

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## **Echoes & Reflections**

# **UNIT XI: Gringlas Unit on Contemporary Antisemitism Lesson Plans,**

https://echoesandreflections.org/unit-11/?state=open#content

These lessons will increase students' awareness of antisemitism and its persistence in contemporary forms. This lesson plan comes with video guides, resource guides, links to videos, discussion questions, and more.

## **USC Shoah Foundation, IWitness**

## **Preparing Teachers to Address Antisemitism**

https://iwitness.usc.edu/sites/unesco

This website provides teachers with helpful guidance, resources, and materials to address antisemitism and other forms of intolerance and discrimination; includes a set of four training curricula published by UNESCO and the OSCE Office for Democratic Institution and Human Rights (ODIHR).

#### **EVERFI**

## BINAH: Building Insights to Navigate Antisemitism & Hate

https://everfi.com/courses/k-12/binah/

A digital course developed in partnership with the ADL that motivates students to identify as global citizens with respect for all people. Topics include the impact of antisemitic attacks on American society as a whole, the vast diversity of modern Jewish life, and how to be a strong ally.

# Free Courses (High School Level)

## **USC Shoah Foundation, IWitness**

## **Contemporary Antisemitism**

https://iwitness.usc.edu/activities/3413?search=contemporary%20antisemitism

Through testimony, students will see how antisemitism, hate, and stereotypes impact everyone in society, not just those targeted in an attack.

#### Why Didn't Antisemitism End After the Holocaust?

https://iwitness.usc.edu/activities/6619?search=contemporary%20antisemitism

Upon completing this activity, students will be able to define contemporary antisemitism and identify a way they can act against antisemitism.



# **Relevant Videos**

## **Kupferberg Holocaust Center (KHC)**

## **Confronting Antisemitism at Home & Abroad**

Watch Dr. Robert Williams, former Deputy Director for International Affairs at the US Holocaust Memorial Museum and current Executive Director of the USC Shoah Foundation, discuss how current conspiracy theories and tropes fuel antisemitism domestically and internationally, as well as how and why Holocaust education is one of many ways to combat it. Click here to watch the recorded event.

## **Holocaust Distortion & the Rise of Hate Crimes Against Jews**

Watch a conversation about how antisemitism at the international, national, and regional levels fuels Holocaust distortion, as well as the challenges in prosecuting religiously-based hate crimes locally. Featuring Michael Brovner, Chief of the Queens County District Attorney's Hate Crimes Bureau in New York City, and Mark Weitzman, Director of Government Affairs at the Simon Wiesenthal Center. Click here to watch the recorded event.

#### **United States Holocaust Memorial Museum**

## Why the Jews: History of Antisemitism

<u>Click here</u> to watch a 13-minute film that introduces the history of antisemitism, from its origins in the days of the early Christian church until the era of the Holocaust in the mid-20<sup>th</sup> century. It raises questions about why Jews have been targeted throughout history and how antisemitism offered fertile ground to the Nazis.

#### **Antisemitism Today**

Using examples from Europe, the Middle East, and the United States, this 7-minute film explains how antisemitic violence and Holocaust denial are a threat to liberal society today. Click here to watch it now.

#### **USC Shoah Foundation**

## **Antisemitism Lecture Series**

#### https://sfi.usc.edu/events/antisemitism-lecture-series

With anti-Jewish rhetoric and violence on the rise around the world, the USC Shoah Foundation's Antisemitism Lecture Series features leading scholars discussing the latest research and approaches to understanding and combating the current upsurge.



# Institute for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism at Indiana University Bloomington Video Archive

https://isca.indiana.edu/resources/video-archive.html

Explore Indiana University's video archives to learn more about antisemitism, with videos such as "Contemporary Echoes of Old Religious Tropes" and "'Antisemitism': The Origins, Structure, and Contested Reception of the Term."

## Facing History & Ourselves

## **Confronting Hate: When Anti-Zionism and Antisemitism Overlap**

https://www.facinghistory.org/learning-events/confronting-hate-when-anti-zionism-antisemitism-overlap#:~:text=Anselme%20and%20Waxman%20delve%20into,and%20non%2DJewish%20students%20alike.

In this webinar, Dimitry Anselme and Dov Waxman discussed how to understand and navigate the overlaps-and distinctions-between antisemitism and critical discussions about Israel.