

"I Belong to the Nation" Lesson Plan



Age Group:
8th - 12th Grade

Theme: Belonging to the Jewish People – The Circles That Connect Us

Objectives:

- Recognize and understand students' sense of belonging in different areas of their lives
- Strengthen their connection to the Jewish people and Israel in the context of Yom HaZikaron and Yom HaAtzmaut
- Use the song "Ani Shayach Le'am" (I Belong to the Nation) by Ishay Ribo as a tool for emotional engagement
- Connect the lesson to the creative project and its symbolic meaning

1. Discussion: What is Belonging?

10 min

- Draw expanding circles on the board, from the personal level to the national level
- Discussion: "Which circle do I feel most connected to?"

2. Song Analysis

15 min

- Read lyrics and identify lines that express connection and struggle
- Discussion: "How does this song relate to Yom HaZikaron and Yom HaAtzmaut?"



Ishay Ribo
Ani Shayach Le'am

3. Interactive Activity – "Belonging in Action"

15 min

- Ranking different scenarios based on their connection to the Jewish people
- Discussion: "What strengthens or weakens a sense of belonging?"

4. Art – "My Personal Shield"

15 min

- Each student writes in a Star of David how they strengthen their connection to the Jewish people
- All shields are displayed together as a collective piece

5. Conclusion

5 min

- "How can I strengthen my sense of belonging?"
- Final thought: "We are all part of the Jewish people, and we strengthen each other."