Laarman Lesson Plan

Subject: World History Unit: World Wars and Genocides

1. Unit Objectives: Recognize the human tendency to create “in” groups and “out” groups and the consequences of that behavior.
2. Understand the particular historical context for the Armenian Genocide and the Holocaust.
3. Wrestle with the choices that individuals, groups, and nations made in response to the Armenian Genocide, The Nazi conquest of Europe, and the Holocaust, as well as the aspects of human behavior that contributed to those choices.
4. Make connections between universal themes related to democracy, citizenship, scapegoating, “othering,” and human connection and responsibility that this history raises and the world they live in today.

Date: 3/11/24 Topic: The Weimar Republic

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| Materials | Handouts from Facing History site |
| Learning Plan | 1. Do Day 2 of the lesson found at <https://www.facinghistory.org/resource-library/weimar-republic> 2. Have students summarize life in the Weimar Republic on their ICLS forms |

Date: 3/12/24 Topic: The Rise of the Nazis

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| Materials | Handouts from Facing History site |
| Learning Plan | 1. Do the lesson found at <https://www.facinghistory.org/resource-library/rise-nazi-party> 2. Have students summarize the rise of the Nazis on their ICLS forms |

Date: 3/13/24 Topic: Dismantling Democracy

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| Materials | Handouts from Facing History site |
| Learning Plan | 1. Do the lesson found at <https://www.facinghistory.org/resource-library/dismantling-democracy> 2. Have students summarize the dismantling of democracy on their ICLS forms |

Date: 3/14/24 Topic: The Invasion of Nanking

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| Materials | Handouts from Digital Inquiry Group |
| Learning Plan | 1. Do the lesson found at <https://inquirygroup.org/history-lessons/invasion-nanking?check_logged_in=1> 2. Have students summarize the Japanese aggression on their ICLS forms |

Date: 3/15/24 Topic: The U.S. and the U.S.S.R. in the 1920’s and ‘30’s

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| Learning Plan | 1. Students write notes on their Interwar Years ICLS forms while watching videos on the Holodomor and Great Purge in the USSR    1. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lejDbulJN54&t=205s>    2. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TUlwALrh0Ak> (15:00 – 18:04) 2. Lecture: the U.S.’s rising isolationism 3. Students complete the summary and reflection on their ICLS forms. |