Choose: **Personal Development**

Explore your personal journey as a peacemaker and reflect on the characteristics of peacemaking.

A peacemaker is one who identifies an injustice and seeks to address it through compassion and courage. Peacemaking includes how people welcome others into their school or community, how you deal with conflict between friends, and how you react to difficulties. Putting peace first in your own life is very important - but it’s only a starting point. Part of being a peacemaker is finding ways to build peace in your community, as well.

- **Read** or **watch** the story of Malala, Yousafzai and think about ways in which she was a peacemaker in her community. Also look through the amazing peacemakers on the Peace First website!

- Brainstorm characteristics of a peacemaker with your team and from the video. Record ideas on the Characteristics of a Peacemaker worksheet.

- Reflect on your personal feelings and goals as a peacemaker by completing the Peacemaking in My Life worksheet.

- Discuss your reflection with your group.
Choose: Characteristics of a Peacemaker Worksheet

Fill in with characteristics of a peacemaker. Decorate as you wish.

How do peacemakers react to conflict? How do they treat others? How are peacemakers involved in their communities?
Choose: Peacemaking in My Life Worksheet

Mark how you currently feel about each statement.

1. I understand what it means to be a peacemaker.
   - [ ] Strongly Disagree
   - [ ] Disagree
   - [ ] Neutral
   - [ ] Agree
   - [ ] Strongly Agree

2. I feel inspired to be a peacemaker.
   - [ ] Strongly Disagree
   - [ ] Disagree
   - [ ] Neutral
   - [ ] Agree
   - [ ] Strongly Agree

3. I am engaged in my community in a meaningful way.
   - [ ] Strongly Disagree
   - [ ] Disagree
   - [ ] Neutral
   - [ ] Agree
   - [ ] Strongly Agree

4. I have the skills necessary to be a peacemaker.
   - [ ] Strongly Disagree
   - [ ] Disagree
   - [ ] Neutral
   - [ ] Agree
   - [ ] Strongly Agree

5. I stand up for others when I see an injustice.
   - [ ] Strongly Disagree
   - [ ] Disagree
   - [ ] Neutral
   - [ ] Agree
   - [ ] Strongly Agree

6. I reach out to people who disagree with me to better understand their point of view.
   - [ ] Strongly Disagree
   - [ ] Disagree
   - [ ] Neutral
   - [ ] Agree
   - [ ] Strongly Agree

7. I am able to work with others effectively.
   - [ ] Strongly Disagree
   - [ ] Disagree
   - [ ] Neutral
   - [ ] Agree
   - [ ] Strongly Agree
One thing I want to accomplish as a peacemaker is: _______________________________________

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One quality I have to help me accomplish my goal is: _______________________________________

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One area where I will need help is: _______________________________________________________

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