

Grade 7&8

Teacher Ms. K

Unit Remembrance Day

Lesson 1: Introduction to Remembrance Day

Time: 110 minutes

Overall expectations

- Demonstrate an understanding of a variety of media texts
- identify some media forms and explain how the conventions and techniques associated with them to create meaning

Specific expectations

- evaluate texts and their treatment of ideas
- interpret messages in media texts.

Resources: Tablets, or video devices

Song analysis worksheet

Printed our copies of lyrics for 3-5 songs

Activity/Hook: Class Reflection on "What is Remembrance Day?"

Prompts: What does remembrance day mean

Who celebrates remembrance day?

Why do we celebrate remembrance day?

Activity #2 Lyric Analysis

In pairs, the students will read a set of lyrics

They will look for the surface level meaning and the below the surface meaning

After they have looked at the lyrics they will then listen to the song. Confirming or adding to the meanings they originally pulled out of the lyrics

Activity #3 Comparing and Contrasting

The pairs will now find the other pair with the same song as them.

Each pair will present two meanings they pulled out the lyrics and music video.

Assessment/ Closing

Come together as a group and share what they have learned in a class discussion.

Prompts- what was the different or same in your responses to the songs?

How did the songs make you feel?

What is the common theme throughout the song choice?

Are these themes/messages still relevant today?

