

In challenging times, educators and families need access to appropriate resources to engage with students about current events which may deeply affect them. Safe and inclusive environments for all members of our community is our top priority. Young people may be aware of current global situations and may need assistance to process their emotions. Parents, caregivers, and educators are faced with the challenge of explaining violence and war to children. Although difficult, these conversations may be necessary and in the context of human history help us work towards peace.

Whenever incidents of violence or war occur around the world, it is likely that youth will have access to unprecedented levels of information and potentially misinformation. In addition, graphic images and footage of violent conflicts are difficult to process, especially for children and youth. It's even more difficult for those who have experienced trauma or witnessed violence themselves.

For a list of resources on how to engage in conversation with youth about current events, please visit: <https://sccoe.to/ResourcesForTeachers>