



Ontario Learning Expectations

In 2023 the Ontario Ministry of Education modified the curriculum of the grade 6 social studies program to include Holocaust education:

The Grade 6 social studies curriculum has been updated to include learning about the Holocaust, to help younger students gain a deeper understanding of its significance and combat rising cases of antisemitism in schools. Students will:

- develop a deeper understanding of the significance of the Holocaust starting in Grade 6
- learn about the experiences of Jewish individuals, families and communities within Canada and the ongoing impact of antisemitism
- learn about the responses of the Canadian government to the Holocaust and the development of Canada's responses to acts of hate and human rights violations after World War II.

These are the specific learning expectations on which the lesson plans in this section are based:

**Strand A. Heritage and Identity: Communities in Canada, Past and Present
Specifically, A3.7:**

•**Topic:** Experiences and contributions of Jewish communities and the impact of antisemitism on these communities

**Strand B. People and Environments: Canada's Interactions with the Global Community
Specifically, B3.5:**

•**Topic:** The responses of the Canadian government to human rights violations during the Holocaust

For the full list of the learning expectations the curriculum document can be found [here](#).