



Resources for Supporting Pupils Around the Middle East Conflict: October 2023

Resources

- PSHE Association – [Handling complex issues and creating a safe learning environment](#)
- Signpost children and young people to the information on the Childline website - [WORRIES ABOUT THE WORLD](#)
- Mental Health Foundation - [Talking to children about scary world events](#)
- DfE – [Educate Against Hate](#)

Particularly in relation to the conflict, and any antisemitic or anti-Muslim incidents emanating as a result of this, you may find the below links useful:

- **Solutions not Sides** is a programme aiming to tackle antisemitism, Islamophobia, and polarisation around the issue of the Israel-Palestine conflict in the UK by promoting critical thinking and open discussions to encourage a solutions-focused approach. Teachers can download [resources](#) including a 30-minute assembly. Solutions not Sides are organising [weekly safe spaces](#) for teachers on Tuesdays at 4pm.
- **The Community Security Trust (CST)** has published a number of resources on their social media feeds, including guidance on how to communicate about Israel in a non-antisemitic way. A host of other resources can be found on their website here: [Educational Resources – CST – Protecting Our Jewish Community](#). CST also has a national emergency number which should be used to report antisemitic attacks, alongside calling 999: 0800 032 3263.
- **Tell Mama** is a confidential support service for those suffering from anti-Muslim hate and discrimination across the UK. Their website features a number of different ways to report anti-Muslim incidents, including via phone or WhatsApp: Report in Anti-Muslim Hate or Islamophobia ([tellmamauk.org](https://www.tellmama.org)). The site also hosts useful [resources](#), including on mosque security.
- Any wider concerns regarding school security and hate-related incidents can be found in the DfE [School and College Security guidance](#)

Thank you to Leeds Council for pulling these resources together and for sharing these with us.