



Gun Violence: Worksheet

Directions: Break up into small groups and choose a country with a high rate of gun violence to research (check out the map at pri.org of countries with the world's highest murder rates to get started). Then answer the following questions:

1. What is the country you're investigating?
2. What is the homicide rate in that country? Be sure to list the year this rate was recorded.
3. Gather some other statistics about gun ownership and gun violence in that country (e.g., private gun ownership, gun suicides, accidental gun deaths, mass shootings). Find at least three of these statistics. List them below, along with the year the statistic was recorded.
4. Research the other issues your country faces that may relate to gun violence (e.g., drug trafficking, poverty). Find at least three other issues and list them below. Explain how each issue could relate to the country's overall gun violence.
5. Research any activist movements against gun violence/for gun control in your country. Find at least one. How are the efforts of this movement or group working? Has there been any significant change since the activist work began? What's the largest obstacle they face?



6. Are there any gun control policies? Are they enforced regularly and/or fairly?

Compare & Contrast: As a class, work together to answer the above questions for the United States. Share with the class how your researched country compares to the United States. Take notes on some of the countries your classmates researched that you found most striking or interesting.