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Approaches to Foreign Policy: Op-Ed

# Overview:

Students will choose a foreign policy issue in the news, identify what approach is being used, and argue for a different approach.

# Length:

One class.

# Materials:

* Isolationism Versus Engagement (World101)
* Unilateralism Versus Multilateralism (World101)
* Idealism Versus Realism (World101)
* Newspapers or other news sources that cover international news

# Instructional Plan:

1. Have students read about approaches to foreign policy, paying particular attention to the advantages and disadvantages of each.
2. Have students select a foreign policy issue in the news that they would like to write about.
3. Have students write an op-ed that
   * briefly explains the issue,
   * identifies the approach being used by the current administration,
   * analyzes the advantages and disadvantages of that approach, and
   * argues for a different approach, analyzing its advantages and disadvantages.

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