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West Africa Centre for Peace Foundation

Peace Education Program

*Empowering Ghana's Youth Through
Education · Inspiration · Action*

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Building Peace · Transforming Lives · Inspiring Action



About WACPF – PEACEJAM GHANA

Our Mission

The West Africa Centre for Peace Foundation (WACPF) is dedicated to building sustainable peace across Ghana by empowering young people with the knowledge, skills, and inspiration to become peace ambassadors in their communities.

Founded in Ghana, 2008, WACPF works directly with schools, educators, youth groups, and community organizations to deliver transformative peace education rooted in the PeaceJam Nobel Laureate curriculum.



Youth-Centered

Focusing on Ghana's next generation of peace leaders



Africa Focus

Promoting regional peace and cross-border understanding – Liberia, Nigeria, Uganda, South Africa



Community Impact

Transforming schools, homes, and communities

PeaceJam Foundation - USA

*Nobel Peace
Laureates mentoring
the youth to change
the world*



*Inspiring youth through
the wisdom of Nobel
Peace Laureates*

The PeaceJam Partnership

WACPF is an official affiliate of the global PeaceJam Foundation, bringing Nobel Peace Laureate wisdom directly to Ghanaian youth.



**Nobel Laureate
Curriculum**



**Youth Leadership
Development**



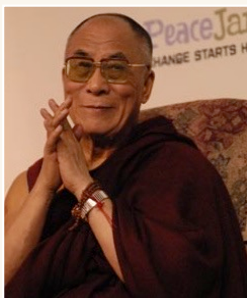
**Global Peace
Network**



**Values-Based
Education**

"Together we can change the world — one young person at a time."

Meet our Nobel Peace Prize Winners



The Dalai Lama
Betty Williams
Rigoberta Menchú Tum
Oscar Arias Sanchez

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Desmond Tutu
Máiread Maguire
Adolfo Pérez Esquivel
José Ramos-Horta
Jody Williams



Sir Joseph Rotblat
Shirin Ebadi
Leymah Gbowee
Tawakkol Karman
Kailash Satyarthi

The Three Pillars of WACPF Peace Education



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Education

Delivering structured peace literacy through the PeaceJam curriculum — equipping youth with knowledge about conflict resolution, human rights, and global citizenship.

- **PeaceJam Nobel Laureate curriculum**
- Conflict resolution skills, mediation, anger management, team work
- Critical thinking skills



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Inspiration

Connecting youth with the inspiring stories of Nobel Peace Laureates, igniting a passion for positive change within their schools and communities.

- **Nobel Laureate role models**
- Learn from real-world change-makers
- Creative arts for peace
- Develop personal vision for peace



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Action

Transforming learning into tangible impact — youth design and implement Global Issues Projects that address real challenges in their communities.

- **Community action projects**
- One Billion Acts of Peace
- Youth-led change initiatives
- Peer peace ambassador roles



Case studies: Archbishop Desmond Tutu

Archbishop Desmond Tutu

Nobel Peace Prize Laureate — 1984

South African archbishop, social rights activist, and global champion of forgiveness, reconciliation, and human dignity.

"My humanity is bound up in yours, for we can only be human together."



Taking Responsibility for Your Actions

Tutu's curriculum module guides youth to develop personal accountability. Students learn that lasting peace begins with self-awareness — acknowledging when their words and actions affect others, and owning the impact without blame or deflection.

Curriculum Theme · Self-Accountability



Anger Management & Peaceful Response

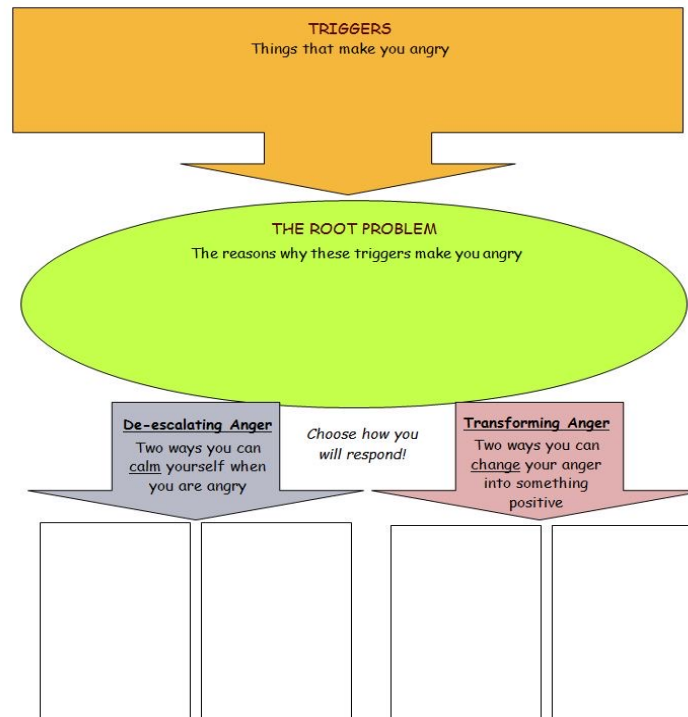
Drawing on Tutu's teachings of ubuntu ("I am because we are"), this module empowers youth to recognize anger as a natural emotion while developing healthy tools for conflict management — turning anger into constructive dialogue and empathy.

Curriculum Theme · Emotional Intelligence

Curriculum Example 1: Desmond Tutu

Understanding & Transforming Anger.

Anger Transformer Machine



"Without forgiveness there can be no future for a relationship between individuals or within and between nations."
~Desmond Tutu



The Dalai Lama & the Power of Listening

Practicing Active Listening as a Path to Conflict Resolution

The Dalai Lama

Nobel Peace Prize Laureate — 1989

The highest spiritual leader of Tibetan and global icon of peace. Advocate for compassion and kindness, Non-violence, Religious harmony, Wisdom & Education

When you talk, you are only repeating what you already know. But if you listen, you may learn something new.

H.H. the 14th Dalai Lama



Active Listening



Conflict Resolution



Compassion



Global Peace

KEY LISTENING PRACTICES

Empathic Presence

Fully engages without interruption; maintains eye contact and open body language to signal receptivity.

Non-Reactive Listening

Deliberately pauses before responding, preventing emotional reactions from escalating disputes.

Curiosity Over Judgment

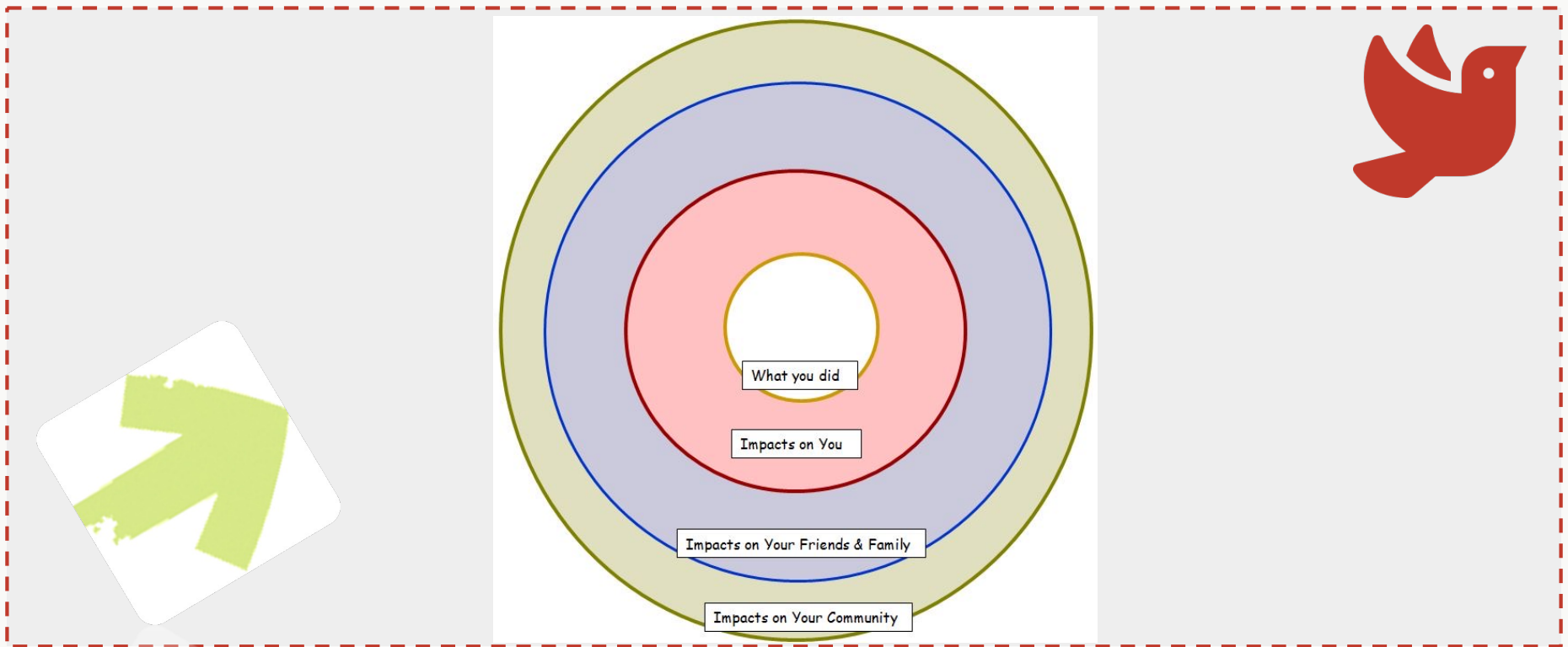
Asks questions to clarify the speaker's intent rather than assuming hostile motivations.

Finding Common Ground

Redirects conversation toward shared values — dignity, stability, and prosperity for all people.

Curriculum Example 2: Dalai Lama

Taking Responsibility of your Own Action



Teacher's Training



Mentor's Training



PeaceJam Slam - One-day Conference





Program Impact on Ghana's Youth



90K+

Youth Trained



56+

Schools Reached



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Core Pillars



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Potential for Peace



Personal Transformation

Youth develop self-awareness, accountability, and emotional regulation through structured peace literacy.



Community Peacebuilding

Trained youth serve as peace ambassadors mediating conflicts and promoting dialogue in schools and neighborhoods.



Global Citizenship

Students join the PeaceJam global network, developing a sense of shared responsibility for world peace.

Potential for Grow

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OVERVIEW OF PEACE CENTRE





Join Us in Building Peace

Together, WACPF is shaping a generation of young peace leaders.

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Take Action Today



Rotary clubs to partner with WACPF to expand peace education in schools.



Volunteer as a youth mentor or program facilitator or exchange



Support our mission to expand the program across Ghana



Connect WACPF/Peace Centre within your networks

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