



## War & Peace

How did the rise of telegraphy, photography and later telephony, affect how people viewed war?

War leads to harm and death, why else would people want to avoid war?

The Nobel Peace Prize, awarded for the first time in 1901, was a culmination for the movement for peace. How does the establishment of this prize reflect the change in the public's perception of war?



## Peace Conferences

Although the Russian Tzar called for the first Peace Conference, this was not held in Russia but in the Netherlands. This is because the Netherlands was politically neutral. What does that mean?

Tsar Nicholas felt such neutrality was important for this Peace Conference. Why do you think this was so?



## Carnegie

In some courts around the world, the judge opens a hearing by striking a gavel, a small wooden hammer. The gavel on display was a present to Andrew Carnegie to thank him for his sponsorship. During what special occasion did he receive this?

What is inscribed upon this special gavel?



## Building

Why did the design by the architect Cordonnier trigger widespread criticism?

The Peace Palace is not a World Heritage Site but some describe it as international cultural heritage. Why would it be seen like that?



## Film

What did the Russian Tzar mean with his words, "Beat the swords into ploughshares" ? (A ploughshare is used to plough a field)

In which year did the Peace Palace officially open?

Which world event took place only a year later?

The United Nations was established after the Second World War even though there was already the Permanent Court of Arbitration. Why did countries feel the necessity to establish the UN?



## Permanent Court of Arbitration

What do arbitrators do?

Countries asking for help at the Permanent Court of Arbitration are often on amicable terms. So why would they come to this court?



## International Court of Justice

At the Permanent Court of Arbitration parties participate voluntarily.  
At the International Court of Justice one state can make a claim against another state. What is the benefit of the latter?

What is a potential disadvantage?



## Importance of International Law

In the past century, many leaders have made official visits to the Peace Palace. Why?



## Changing World

Have a closer look at this world map. Compare then to now.  
What differences do you notice about the continent of Africa and today's Europe?

What has led to the changes which make a world map look so different nowadays?

The world changes every day. In one country things are getting better, in another a major disaster may strike, due to flooding or failing harvest for example. Things can go downhill! People will then be concerned and may want to move to a better place, possibly another country. How can conflict arise from this?



## Library and Academy

In 1609 Hugo Grotius wrote a book that still holds value today, entitled: *Mare Liberum*, which is Latin for, 'The Free Sea'. In other words, the sea belongs to everybody. You can find and read this book and many others in the library of the Peace Palace. How does the message of this book relate to peace?

One of the photos shows a statue of pacifist Bertha von Suttner.  
She campaigned to deglorify war, for example through her writing.  
Two of her books can be seen in this exhibition. What are their titles?

What is a pacifist?



## City of Peace and Justice

Both at the International Court of Justice and at the International Criminal Court, judges are employed. However, the judges in one court decide upon different matters than the judges in the other court. The International Criminal Court deals with people who might have done something wrong and against the law. The International Court of Justice decides how countries should act.

What punishments do criminals get?

What punishments can be given to a country?

Name the function of two other organisations on the map and how they aim to contribute to a just and peaceful world.

Have you finished the audio tour and answered the questions? We hope you enjoyed it. Please write down your wish for your future world and hang it on the tree in front of the Visitors Centre! Ask for a wish tag at the desk.