Borders and Walls Unit Outline

LESSON	LESSON TOPIC	RESOURCES
1	Borders and Walls Gallery Walk	Walls Photos Gallery Walk Graphic Organizer
2	Manifest Destiny/Promised Land	Manifest Destiny/Promised Land quotes and questions
		Conquest of Native America Map "We Exist" poem
		Palestine-Israel Over Time Map "I Come from There" poem
3	Filling in the History	A Short History of Palestine Nakba Stories
4	Voices of Palestinian Youth	Digital Resistance, a DVD by Palestine Youth Media, is available from the Teach Palestine Project. Contact: jody@mecaforpeace.org
5	Indigenous Peoples and US-Mexico Border	"How Activist Artists on the Border Contest Trump's Wall" Impact of the U.S./Mexican Border on People and the Environment "The Environmental Consequences of a Wall on the US-Mexico Border" "Trump's Wall May Threaten Thousands of Plant and Animal Species"
6	Final Project	Final Project
7	Additional Resources	
	Barakat, Ibtisam. Tasting the Sky: A Palestinian Childhood. RR Donnelly, 2007. An intense and engaging memoir of the author's experiences as a young child expelled from her home in Ramallah during the 1967 war. Middle and high school.	
	Cornell, Grace Cornell. "Sin Fronteras Boy: Students Create Collaborative Websites to Explore the Border." Rethinking Schools, vol. 26, no. 3, 2012	
	Laird, Elizabeth. A Little Piece of Ground. Haymarket Books, 2006. This novel about a group of Palestinian boys trying to create a soccer field while under occupation is an approachable introduction to life under Israeli occupation. Upper elementary and middle schoo	
	Palestine Remix. This Al Jazeera website has films, timelines, maps and other resources. It includes a remix feature, so that teachers and/or students can weave together footage into their own videos. The four-part series on the Nakba is extremely detailed.	
	Pappé, Ilan. <i>The Ethnic Cleansing of Palestine</i> . One World Oxford, 2006. By an Israeli historian, excellent background on Zionist plans to conquer Palestine in the decades leading up to 1948 and the events of the Nakba.	
	Sheikh Jarrah, Our Neighborhood. Directed by Julia Bacha and Rebekah Wingert-Jabi. Just Films, 2013. Seen through the eyes of 11-year-old Mohamed El Kurd, Zionist settlers try to take over the Palestinian Jerusalem neighborhood of Sheikh Jarrah, evicting long-term residents and moving into their houses.	