

Overview of the 3-Part Seminar

Session 1: Individual Rights vs. Collective Rights

Objectives	Participants will: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learn to define individual rights and collective rights.• Determine that individual rights lie at the heart of liberalism.• Determine that collective rights lie at the heart of nationalism.
Learning Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engage in the Musica Cabana (story) debate between individual and collective rights.• Discuss the terms of nationalism and liberalism.
Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Music Cabana Story.• Definitions for individual and collective rights.• Definitions for Nationalism and Liberalism.• Yuval Noah Harari excerpt on liberalism.
Inquiry Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are individual rights? What are collective rights?• How can the two come in conflict? How can the two work together?

Session 2: Zionism as a National Liberation Movement

Objectives	Participants will: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand how Zionism fits on the nationalism and liberalism spectrum.• Examine cases of Jewish national and individual rights.• Navigate where Zionism should be in the “middle ground” between nationalism and liberalism.
Learning Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review the definitions of “Nationalism,” “Collective Rights,” “Liberalism,” and “Individual Rights.”• Explain the importance of the “middle ground.”• Concentric circles activity to discuss the “middle ground.”• “A Tribe of Brothers and Sisters” song.

Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Signs for “Nationalism” “Collective Rights” “Liberalism” and “Individual Rights”.• Spectrum between Collective Rights and Individual Rights.• A Tribe of Brothers and Sisters song.• “A Tribe of Brothers and Sisters” Lyrics Handout.
Inquiry Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How is Zionism a form of Jewish national liberation?• How should the Jewish people balance collectivism/nationalism and individualism/liberalism?

Session 3: Striking the Balance

Objectives	Participants will: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Analyze Hatikvah (Israel’s national anthem) as an example of the collectivist/individualist rights coming in conflict.• Examine what to do when the balance between individualism and the collective goes astray.• Explore how to remain fiercely loyal and critical of Israel at the same time.
Learning Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen to Hatikvah.• Unpack Hatikvah as an example of collectivism and individualism coming in conflict.• Discuss what to do when one disagrees with Israel’s policies.
Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Computer (or USB) to play clips• Hatikvah lyrics (handout)• Hatikvah clip https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1DPqNHkm1bM• “The Silent Judge” article (handout)• Neshama Carlebach clip https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-scv-7ab8WE
Inquiry Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How is it possible for Israel to strike a balance between collectivism and individualism?• What happens when you think that Israel does not balance collective rights and individual rights properly?