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Adapt a Module Assignment

GRADE RANGE: 7th-8th

COMPELLING UNIT QUESTION: How does a culture of sexism (stereotypes, patriarchy, objectification, etc.) shape our perceptions of sexual assault, and ultimately contribute to rape culture?

TEXT SET:

1. Sexual Assault, *Confi*, Infographic

Sexual Assault is a comprehensive infographic that provides statistics about sexual assault rates with detailed breakdowns that include gender, sexuality, education attainment, etc. In addition, the infographic includes basic information about consent, reporting, and short snippets from survivors.

1. Sexual Assault is Way More Common Than You Think, *Planned Parenthood*, Video This video introduces and defines rape culture, identifies common myths about rape culture, and the finishes by drawing attention to our shared participation in rape culture as a society. The video aims to broadly examine rape culture and provide a framework for further conversations about perceptions of sexual assault and the harms of rape culture.
2. Rape and sexual assault are common. So why don’t we believe victims?, Emily Crockett,

Article

This article discusses how sexism has contributed to a societal doubt when sexual assault victims come forward. Through this proposed conversation, Crockett also discusses the ways that sexist beliefs about women is a large contributor to the way society perceives sexual assault and the importance, or lack thereof, that is placed on it.

1. James is dead, *Blue Seat Studios*, Video.

James is dead is a short video that addresses how language is used to delegitimate sexual assault, move blame away from perpetrators and instead on to victims, and promote sexist beliefs about sexual assault.

1. It’s on Us, *SheKnows*, Video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hfav-o2ABOo) It’s on Us identifies common words, phrases, and general language we use that promote victim blaming, accept sexual assault, and perpetuate stereotypes of women that all contribute to the larger rape culture.
2. Brown U Student Shares His Story of Sexual Assault, *Huffington Post,* Video. In this video, Andrew, a student at Brown University, shares his experience with sexual assault on his campus as a gay student. In the video, Andrew talks both about the personal effects of his experience and also the experience of reporting to his school. The video aims to demonstrate the intersectionality of sexual assault and how schools should go about handling sexual assault.