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## **Racial Profiling and Terrorism**

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"Racial profiling and Terrorism" is a curriculum unit designed to address the law enforcement actions of police and government agents toward Muslims and Arabic men in the war on terrorism. It describes the history of racial profiling in the United States. Students explore the legality of racial profiling and debate its effectiveness.

Students are able to research and prepare an essay on racial profiling and discuss ways to eliminate its practice in the United States. They also learn how to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner when they encounter racial profiling in ways that infringe upon human rights and civil liberties.

(Developed for Health Education, grades 9-12; recommended for Social Studies and Health Education, grades 9-12)

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