

Nationalism: Identity and Nation

This matching game builds understanding of the key concepts that frame nationalism in Social Studies 20-1. Students match definitions and examples to eight core terms: nationalism, identity, nation, patriotic, ethnic, civic, geographic, and political. The game supports analysis of how nationalism is expressed across different dimensions, cultural, territorial, institutional, and prepares students to explore the extent to which nation should be the foundation of identity ([Topic](#)). Success requires students to distinguish between overlapping forms of national consciousness and to recognize that understandings of identity, nation and nationalism continue to evolve ([Outcome](#)).

How to play

1. You have eight terms on the left and eight descriptions or examples on the right.
2. Draw a line or write the letter to match each term to its correct description.
3. Each term matches exactly one description.
4. Check your work against the answer key when you finish.

Match the pairs

Column A		Column B
A. nationalism	_____	1. Shared sense of belonging to a nation
B. identity	_____	2. Based on shared cultural heritage
C. nation	_____	3. Concerning citizenship and government
D. patriotic	_____	4. Devoted to one's nation
E. ethnic	_____	5. Based on location and territory
F. civic	_____	6. Community bound by shared heritage
G. geographic	_____	7. Concerning government and authority
H. political	_____	8. Who or what someone is

Answer key

- **A** matches **1** (nationalism: Shared sense of belonging to a nation)
- **B** matches **8** (identity: Who or what someone is)
- **C** matches **6** (nation: Community bound by shared heritage)
- **D** matches **4** (patriotic: Devoted to one's nation)
- **E** matches **2** (ethnic: Based on shared cultural heritage)
- **F** matches **3** (civic: Concerning citizenship and government)
- **G** matches **5** (geographic: Based on location and territory)
- **H** matches **7** (political: Concerning government and authority)