

This is a matching-sentences thinksheet. Write what you want to read aloud in small group and/or plenum. Do NOT read the whole thinksheet before writing: DO read a sentence, write your sentence (here, on the reverse, or in notebook), and only then proceed to read and respond to the sentence following.

1. Peace/war is more a matter of dreamscape-mindscape (inscape) than of landscape (outscape).
2. Peace/war is more a matter of dreamscape (images) than of mindscape (ideas).
3. Peace/war is more a matter of words than of weapons.
4. The Bible presents us with, in order, God, earth, promise, people, land, book, and new earth.
5. The New Earth is gift (Gabe) and assignment (Aufgabe): how can it be both?
6. The New Earth as gift can be had nonviolently, but the New Earth as assignment rules out pacifism.
7. Because sky (upscape) is boundaryless, it's a peace symbol.
8. Because root requires boundaries, it's a war symbol.
9. In the biblical languages and in Anglo-Saxon ["nigh"], "neighbor" means the near one and therefore the most probable enemy.
10. The humanum (the human-values living complex) is a root that requires, for its flourishing, a social monopoly of violence (force, coercive potential) within a landscape.
11. Because we are animals, we need physical-supportive territory. This landscape and we must be protected against destruction, deprivation, disease, pollution, and predation (including fellow-human predators).
12. It is possible to construct global institutions to effectuate violence-control over all the planet's landscapes. World peace, as war control, is not an impossible dream; it is a necessity--and what is necessary is possible.
13. Empires die when their monopoly of violence is successfully challenged. Is the chaos thus caused always worth the cost in human woe?
14. If the PLO (and its allies) gets what it wants, Israel as a Jewish state will die. Israel as a Jewish state must not die. Therefore, it is necessary that Israel have so clear a superiority of violence-potential as to de-energize in its enemies the dream of Israel's death (as happened, in 1973, on Sadat's dreamscape).
15. Peace as the absence of war is achievable in the absence of justice, but such peace is inherently unstable. But since destabilization by violence usually eventuates in an increase of injustice, we should usually be antiviolent. After all, history never affords more than an approximation of justice, and the idealistic dream of perfect justice within the limits of history produces more agony than its worth. Therefore, quietism is to be preferred to pacifism.
16. The first principle of statecraft being the maintenance of the public tranquility, it was necessary that Jesus be suppressed (as it's necessary to suppress all criminals).