Cartoons for the Classroom
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Baseball, politics and violence mix

Talking Points
1. What devices do these cartoonist use to comment on the recent shooting during a congressional baseball practice?
2. Is the United States a violent country? How does it compare with other nations?
3. Can you find historical examples of U.S. political differences erupting into violence? How about examples in other nations?
4. Is it ever acceptable to turn to violence over political, religious or ethnic differences? What are wars fought over?

Between the lines
"The gun fatality rate in the U.S. is 25 times higher than other high-income nations. For young victims ages 15 to 24, the rate is 49 times higher." - Chelsea Parsons, Center for American Progress.

Additional resources
More by John Branch
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