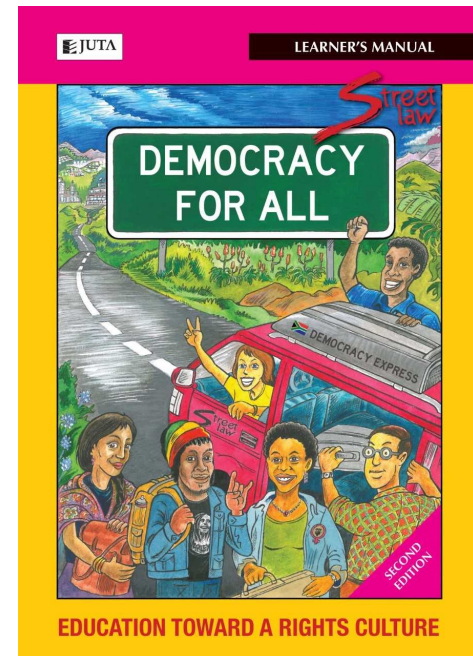


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About this Publication:

The second edition of *Democracy for All: Learner's Manual* is aimed at young people, adults, students and teachers. The book explains how the international community understands democracy, and explores what democracy means to each of us. *Democracy for All* also explains how government works in a democracy, how the abuse of power is checked, how human rights support democracy, how democratic elections take place, and how citizens can participate in democracy. The objectives of the book are:

- To improve students' understanding of the fundamental principles and values underlying democracy in society;
- To promote awareness of the current issues and controversies relating to democracy;
- To show students that their participation can make a difference to how democracy functions in their country;
- To foster justice, tolerance and fairness;
- To develop students' willingness and ability to resolve disputes and differences without resorting to violence;
- To improve basic skills, including critical thinking and reasoning, communication, observation and problem-solving.

Democracy for All uses a variety of student-centered activities, including case studies, role-plays, simulations, small-group discussions, opinion polls and debates. The companion volume, entitled *Democracy for All: Educator's Manual*, explains how the lessons in the *Learner's Manual* can be conducted and provides solutions to the problems.

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