



It's Not a Crime to be Different

Resources for:
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At Electric Umbrella...

We believe that there's "No Such Thing as Normal".

We celebrate our differences and think that everyone should be valued and accepted for who they are.



“It’s Not a Crime to be Different”

And no-one should ever be made to feel excluded, discriminated against or unsafe because of who they are.

Mencap have created this brilliant [Easy Read Guide](#) that explains how to report hate crimes and hate incidents.



Discussion

Thinking About Identity

- What makes you, you? What makes your friends “them”?
- Are there any similarities? Any differences? Do the differences stop you being friends?



 Video

Watch the Video

Co-created with Hertfordshire Police



Hate Crimes

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“This is crime which includes prejudice or discrimination...Hate crime is where the person focuses on your: disability, race or ethnicity, religion or beliefs, sexual orientation, gender identity.”

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It's important to tell someone if you are ever treated unkindly because of who you are, or if you see someone else being treated unkindly because of who they are.

-  If it's an emergency, phone 999
-  If it's not an emergency phone 101
-  Or report it online



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