



It's Not a Crime to be Different

Resources for:
Years 7 and 8

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



Discussion

Thinking About Identity

- What do you notice about the people in the video?
- What do you think a diverse community looks like?
- What do you think makes a happy, diverse community?



Let's Look at the Lyrics

- ***“It’s not okay to say nothing, even though it’s hard.”*** - What do you think that means?
- What do you think you should do if you see or hear someone being treated unkindly because of ***“how they look / who they love / the colour of their skin / how they speak / what religion they’re in”***?

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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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- Do you know the 5 protected characteristics?
- Have you ever been the victim of a hate crime, or seen / heard of someone else being victimised, either in real life or on TV / in the media?
- How do you think it makes the victims, or the families of the victims, feel?

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“A hate incident is any incident which the victim, or anyone else, thinks is based on someone’s prejudice towards them because of their race, religion, sexual orientation, disability or because they are transgender.”

Discussion

Hate Crimes

- If you're the victim of a hate incident or a hate crime, or you see someone else being victimised, what should you do? The lyrics of our song tell you...



Hate Crimes

“If you see or feel something like it, don't you ignore it (REPORT IT)!” It's not ok to say nothing, even though it's hard”

-  Tell a trusted adult
-  If it's an emergency, phone 999
-  If it's not an emergency phone 101
-  Or report it online

Discussion

Hate Crimes

- How do you think we can stop people from committing hate incidents and why do you think it's important?



Discussion

How do you think we can help to **CREATE** a society where everyone is made to feel welcome and safe?

- **C**elebrate your own uniqueness.
- **R**espect other people's views and situation.
- **E**ducate yourself about differences, so they don't seem scary.
- **A**ccept and include people for who they are.
- **T**ell a trusted adult about any prejudicial behaviour that you witness.
- **E**ncourage others to be "Acceptance Ambassadors" by standing up for those in need.





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