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RESOURCE 15

Teaching activity about situations of conflict and discrimination What do you do?

Situation 1

It is lunchtime. Two girls and three boys are sitting on a bench in the schoolyard. They are talking and listening to music. Then two boys are coming up to them. The moment they pass by the bench, a boy and a girl from the group yell at them: 'filthy fags!' and 'go away!' They make fun of the boys. The boys turn around and are irritated. You accidentally walk by with a friend and you see that the boys are yelled at.

What do you do?

Situation 2

You are visiting a mosque in your neighbourhood with your class. You are welcomed by the imam. The imam tells something about the building and answers questions about the Islam. After a cup of tea and a snack you say goodbye to the imam and the class is going home. When you get home, you see new messages in the WhatsApp group of the class. One of your classmates has parents with a Moroccan background.

» *"Pff. This was such a waste of time. Because of those Moroccans there are less jobs for us and there's this crisis... All they do is sit around drinking tea..."*

« *"I know! And those headscarfs, they bug me no end!"*

» *"I think it's time for them to adjust or move on!"*

« *"Bunch of thieves and criminals who think they're sooo brave..."*

What do you do?



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Situation 3

A girl is standing in line in the school cafeteria to buy a sandwich. A group of boys behind her are making fun of her and imitating bomb explosions. At one point, one of the boys pulls at her headscarf, and she falls to the floor. The other boys laugh at her. The girl is furious, stands up and asks who did it. The boys all deny. You are at the back of the line and you have seen it all.
What do you do?

Situation 4

During the Football World Championships, you are watching a match of the national team in the school canteen. You sit there with your classmates and you all watch the exciting match. One of the boys is not happy with the referee and constantly shouting comments at the screen. After another whistle signal, he hollers: 'What a dirty Jew, he whistles for no reason! A real Jew thing to do!' You are sitting close to the boy and hear everything he says. You also know that there is a Jewish boy in the canteen who will have heard it all, too.
What do you do?

Situation 5

It is lunchtime. You walk into the schoolyard and see a group of two boys and a girl topple the bag of another girl. The girl is annoyed and asks them to stop, but they don't. They empty the girl's bag and tread all over her belongings. The girl looks afraid.
What do you do?

Situation 6

You are working on a assignment with a group of students in the classroom. The teacher walks out of the class for a moment, and this a boy immediately gets up and writes on the schoolboard in big letters: "Poles and Bulgarians back to their own countries!" He quickly returns to his table and pretends nothing happened. The teacher comes back into the classroom and sees the text on the schoolboard.
What do you do?