

Lesson Plan – How Should We Live?

Purpose: Explore fairness by viewing our values through different perspectives. Recognise how others feel in different circumstances and how this empathy may affect decisions-making.

Equipment needed: Pen, Paper, computer, projector.

Lesson timings (50 minutes): The timings are just a guide. The lesson can be delivered as a whole, in sections, or if there is a rich discussion in one section, take the time and allow that to develop.

Pre-Work Teachers : Review the main task to understand the intention. Become familiar with <u>social contracts</u> and the <u>veil</u> <u>of ignorance.</u>			
Students : N/A			
Lesson structure	Lesson Content	Resources / Comments	
Class Environment 5C Slide	Share the 5C's of the CfL classroom to create a respectful, safe atmosphere and to build trust with each other. Together we are growing a creative, critical, caring, collaborative environment where positive, supportive communication is developed through listening, sharing and building on ideas.	Remind learners how a classroom that explores CfL topics needs to look, feel and sound.	
Check-In Whole Group (5 mins) Body Scanner	Click the video to introduce learners to the benefits of body scanning to reduce anxiety, and manage stress.	The video transcript is in the slide notes if the video does not play.	
Warm-Up Groups of 4 (15 mins) Hidden Blindspots of Good People	 Introduce learners to the idea of social blindspots, we all have them, it is human nature. However, being aware of the blindspots helps us spot when they affect our decisions and judgements. 1. Watch the video on blindspots to set the scene. 2. Learners write down their own reflections on when they have experienced assumptions. 	Extra guidance is in the slide notes for these tasks.	
Main Activity Groups of 4 (25 mins) The Fairness Test	 Learners remain in their groups of 4 1. Each group assigns a scribe to capture the group's key points and a person who will assign roles to group members. 2. Set the scene: The students briefly design society, they consider how resources are distributed and what values underpin the society they build. 3. Once they have identified the values, reveal to the class that in this new society, they are not themselves, they have to experience the society from the perspectives of the roles they are assigned. 	The guidance on the slide prompts each group to view their society from their roles. The scribe needs to capture the viewpoints from the different roles (including their own)	

	4. Each learner will view their new society and values	
	through their assigned role, by the end of the task,	
	they will have a picture of who they are (E.g.	
	Wealthy elderly female from a rural area)	
Reflection	Groups of 4	The task tells us our
Groups of 4/Individually	 The scribes feedback the key points of the 	values are not universal
(15 mins)	conversation from the different assigned	and building empathy
	perspectives	helps us understand
How should we live?	2. The group discusses what these different views tell	differences as well as
	them about the values that underpin their designed society.	appreciating similarities.
	3. Briefly view societal values through the lens of other people in society - how do the values seem then?	The left side of the image shows that everyone in
	4. Learners look at the image that has been on the slide	society is uniform. In
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	throughout the activity. How does it describe the	reality, we are all so
	activity they have completed?	different. The way
	Individually	society is structured
	5. Show learners the video to reveal the concept	does not suit us all
	behind this lesson.	because we have
	6. Individually they reflect on the questions asked.	different needs and
	In Pairs	values.
	7. Review the learning cycle, identifying how it has	
	played out through this lesson.	
Check-out	Learners reflect on:	
Whole class	1. How can you use what you have learned in the	
(5 mins)	future?	
	2. Example: Plan to deliberately enact your groups'	
What next?	social contract this week	

*Most CfL activities work best when the teachers join the students and do the activity with them.