

Lesson Plan – What are my blindspots?

Purpose: Recognise it is natural to group people and things into categories and bringing that into our awareness can help us identify when and where we stereotype.

Equipment needed: Pen, Paper, Computer, Projector. Option to print off the sketch to stretch task.

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		
Students		1
Lesson structure	Lesson Content	Resources / Comments
Class Environment	Share the 5C's of the CfL classroom to create a respectful,	Remind learners how a
5C Slide	safe atmosphere and to build trust with each other.	classroom that explores
		CfL topics needs to look,
	Together we are growing a creative, critical, caring,	feel and sound.
	collaborative environment where positive, supportive	
	communication is developed through listening, sharing and	
	building on ideas.	
Check-In	1. Learners take the first 5 minutes of this lesson to	
Individual	reflect with gratitude.	
(5 mins)	2. Consider who they are grateful to and imagine they	
	can hand a sentence to them to show their	
Gratitude	gratitude.	
	3. Write down that sentence	
Warm-Up	Learners arrange themselves in groups of 4.	Allow learners to choose
Street Calculus		their pair and then the
(15 mins)	1. Each person selects two professions.	pairs move into groups
	2. Without sharing, learners sketch a person in each of	of 4.
Street Calculus	the chosen professions.	
	 They can give the person in their sketch name. Learners share the sketches and discuss what they 	
	4. Learners share the sketches and discuss what they notice about the people in each profession.	
	Next:	
	1. In groups discuss what the image called 'street	
	calculus' is showing us.	
	 Learners can use the slide questions to build a 	
	conversation about their experiences with street	
	calculus.	

Main Activity	Remaining in groups of 4, learners:	Teacher collates the
Groups of 4 (25 mins)	 Organise their ideas about stereotyping by drawing a concept map. 	definitions.
Stereotyping–Mapping the Territory.	 Leave their map on the desk or put it on the wall. Do a gallery walk - view the other maps and collect similarities and differences. Share these similarities and differences with the group. Each group builds a working definition of what stereotype means. Learners vote with their feet on their preferred 	Teacher works to refine the working definition with students. There is a sample definition in the
	definition.	slide notes.
Reflection	Remaining in groups of 4, learners:	
Groups of 4 (10 mins)	 Review their thoughts on the sketches they did at the start of the lesson. 	
	2. How did stereotyping inform the sketches?	
Catch yourself Stereotyping	Reflect and share a time they have done street calculus.	
Stereotyping	 Note to themselves when and where stereotyping plays out in their lives during the week ahead. 	
Check-out	Learners reflect on:	Slide notes are designed
In Pairs	1. The learning cycle of the lesson and how they may	to support this Check
(5 mins)	apply what they've learnt. For example, they may focus this week on how it feels to be aware of	out.
What next?	hidden biases as they show up	

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