

Human Rights  
Equality  
Diversity

Hi, we are going to talk about diversity.

Diversity is about the different types of people in our society.

Every day we deal with people who have a different race, colour, religion, culture or language.

Unfortunately, our world has a lot of people who can't or don't want to accept these differences.

This intolerance leads to racism, discrimination, xenophobia etc.

Racism is the belief in the superiority of one race over another and It may also mean discrimination or prejudice against other people because they are of a different race or ethnic group.

Religious discrimination is the cause of many wars all around the globe. Like on the 9/11 when Al- Qaeda attacked the twin towers and 3 thousand people were murdered as well as when there was the so-called Charlie Hebdo attack, a satirical weekly magazine and 12 persons died.

Xenophobia is about those who discriminate others because of their different country, language and culture since they don't want lose their national, ethnic or racial identity.

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Now you will see a survey on this issue which was answered by 33 people mostly aged 15 to 19. The majority (54.5%) stated they had never been discriminated.

Of the other 45.5% which equals 15 persons, 9 people claim to have been verbally discriminated against. 4 people to have been verbally and physically assaulted and 2 people to be victims of physical abuse.

Of the 13 people who said they were discriminated against, the reasons are fairly divided amongst sexism, sexual orientation, religion and race.

25 people said they had seen discrimination and 8 said they hadn't.

The majority, the equivalent to 22 versus 11, revealed that they have at least one friend who was once a victim of this type of discrimination.

now as to the schools:



Out of 33, 16 people are not sure if this happens at their school, 15 said there is discrimination at school, and only 2 people stated that there is no kind of discrimination. Fortunately, since most of the answers were from students in our class, most (24 people) said they thought there were no problems in their class but 8 people said there are problems related to this topic in their class.

Regarding the most common problem in their school, respondents referred sexual orientation, followed by race and color.

Of 32 people, 24 people (the equivalent to 75%) said they think racism is still relevant these days, 6 people think maybe this topic is still relevant and 2 people said racism is not at all relevant in our society.

17 people said they have never discriminated or intimidated anyone, 9 people admitted that they had already discriminated someone and 6 people said they weren't sure if they had ever done it

Finally, regarding the idea that there are equal opportunities between blacks and whites: 16 people said they think this is only part of the social mindset, as this is not confirmed in practice, 10 people said this equality never existed and 6 people said that there was equal opportunity between blacks and whites.

Concluding, though this is a small sample, it looks like our world is not such a fair one when it comes to the right of Equality for all!