

Racism Scenarios

Scenarios	Your Responses	
Scenario 1	Immediate response	Second response
You are shopping in a supermarket with your mum and a group of youths start calling you names and saying: 'Go back to where you came from!'		
Scenario 2	Immediate response	Second response
You are walking into school and somebody shouts out: 'Oi. This school is not for you lot.'		
Scenario 3	Immediate response	Second response
Your school is largely Muslim and your friend John is walking with you and some of your other friends shout: 'This school is for Muslims only.'		

Islamic Guidance

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ إِنَّا خَلَقْنَاكُمْ مِنْ ذَكَرٍ وَأُنْثَى
جَعَلْنَاكُمْ شُعُوبًا وَقَبَائِلَ لِتَعَارَفُوا إِنَّ أَكْرَمَكُمْ
عِنْدَ اللَّهِ أَتْقَاكُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلِيمٌ خَبِيرٌ

'O Mankind! We created you from a male and a female and We made you into nations and tribes so that you may know each other; the most noble of you before God is the one who is the most righteous. Indeed God is All-knowing, All-aware.' (Surat al-Hujurat 49:13)

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا يَسْخَرُ قَوْمٌ مِنْ قَوْمٍ
عَسَى أَنْ يَكُونُوا خَيْرًا مِنْهُمْ

'O believers! One group must not make fun of another group, perhaps they may be better than them!...' (Surat al-Hujurat 49:11)

'There is no superiority for an Arab over a non-Arab and for a non-Arab over an Arab; nor for white over the black, nor for the black over the white except in righteousness. Indeed the noblest amongst you is the one who is the most righteous.' (Last Sermon at Arafat)

'A believer is one who gets on well with others and there is no good in one who does not get on with others.' (Mustadrak Hakim)

'God has revealed to me that you should be courteous to one another. One should neither hold himself above another nor misbehave against another.' (Muslim)

'One who has in the heart a grain of arrogance will not enter Jannah. Someone said how about a person who likes to wear beautiful clothes and shoes? The Prophet ﷺ said: all of God's affairs are beautiful and He likes beauty; arrogance means ridiculing and rejecting the truth and despising people.' (Muslim)

Feedback

Lesson Title: Dealing with Racism

Name:

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Today I have learnt about:

As a result of this lesson I have learnt that a good Muslim should:

I am going to follow up this topic in my home/school/community by:

Follow-up Worksheet

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Tasks:

Malcolm X was a Black American Muslim leader, whose experience on Hajj of various Muslim communities forced him to rethink his previous view. Research Malcolm X's letter to his friends in Harlem, USA, while on Hajj.

Visit another mosque and/or a different religious place of worship.

Answers:

What have you learnt from Malcom X's letter?

Which mosque or other place of worship have you visited? Compared to your own mosque, what similarities have you found?