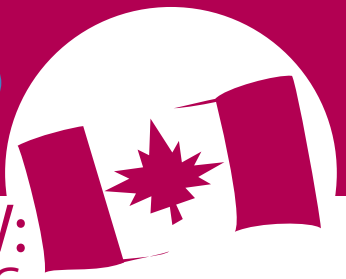


GOVERNMENT & CITIZENSHIP

JIGSAW:

HUMAN RIGHTS, MULTICULTURALISM & VOLUNTEERING



INSTRUCTION SHEET

INSTRUCTIONS:

Text from the BC Newcomers' Guide pages 28-29 has been divided into three sections. Each student in a group of three is responsible for only one topic. S/he must read and understand the passage and be prepared to answer the other students' questions about his/her topic. (The strongest students should receive the long passage on "Human Rights" while the weaker students receive the "Volunteering" sheet.) Instructors may suggest that students with the same topic sheet work together to clarify any vocabulary or comprehension questions before separating into mixed groups. In the mixed groups (one student per topic), students explain (or read from the text if necessary) their topic to his/her group. The other group members are not to read the text for themselves. They should ask for repetition or clarification as need be, then answer the questions they have on their own sheet.

REQUIRED STRUCTURES: asking for repetition and/or clarification, rephrasing

REQUIRED VOCABULARY: *protect, discrimination, race, ethnic, origin, marital status, religion, disability, sexual orientation, grounds, telecommunications, transportation, federal government department, landlord, agency, multicultural, encourages, pride, respect, community, contribute, taking part, neighbour(hood), volunteer,*

GROUP SIZE: whole class divided into threes

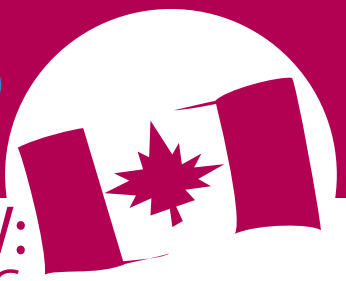
HANDOUTS: Human Rights, Multiculturalism and Volunteering reading and question pages (one per student)

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED: BC Newcomers' Guide p. 30-31 for reference

RELATED GRAMMAR:

FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES:

Contact the services provided for more information.



HUMAN RIGHTS

British Columbia and Canada have human rights laws that protect people from many kinds of discrimination.

It is discrimination if someone does not give you a job or a place to live because they don't like your age, race, ethnic or national origin, skin colour, family or marital status, religion, disability, sex, or sexual orientation. It is also discrimination for hotels, restaurants, or other service businesses to refuse service to anyone on the above grounds.

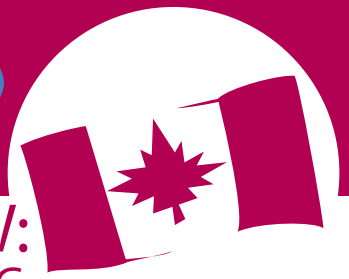
You can get help if you have a problem with discrimination. If your problem is with a bank, telecommunications or transportation company, or federal government department, call the Canadian Human Rights Commission. They are listed in the White Pages of the telephone book. If your problem is with a landlord, a local business or service, or a provincial government department or agency, call the British Columbia Human Rights Commission. They are listed in the White Pages of the telephone book under "BC Human Rights Commission," and in the Blue Pages, Government of British Columbia section, under "Human Rights Complaints."

QUESTIONS FOR MULTICULTURALISM:

- 1) Canada is a _____ country.
- 2) It is important that Canadians treat each other with _____.
- 3) What are 2 ways you can participate in your community? _____

QUESTIONS FOR VOLUNTEERING:

- 1) Is volunteer work paid work? _____
- 2) Who needs volunteers? _____
- 3) Where can you find information about volunteering? _____



MULTICULTURALISM

Canada is a multicultural country. The government encourages people to take pride in their language, religion, and culture. It also encourages all Canadian to treat each other with respect. People living in Canada have a responsibility to contribute to our society. You can start by taking part in your community. Here are some ways you can do this:

- Meet your neighbours.
- Join in neighbourhood activities.
- Go to meetings in your community or at your children's school.
- Volunteer in your community.

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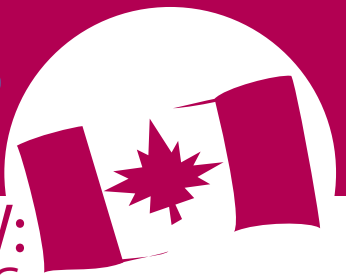
QUESTIONS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS:

- 1) What do the human rights laws protect? _____

- 2) Can someone refuse you service if s/he doesn't like your cultural background? _____

- 3) If you feel you suffered discrimination at a bank, where can you look for information to help? _____

- 4) If you feel you suffered discrimination from a landlord, where can look for information to help? _____

**VOLUNTEERING**

Volunteering is an important part of Canadian life. A volunteer helps people without getting paid. Most communities need volunteers. You can help at your children's school, at a local hospital, or at a community agency. Look in the front pages of the telephone book in the "Community Services" section, under "Volunteering" or ask at your local library.

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