Act of Justice



To understand that justice is about many different things and to explore some of these.

Time

30 Minutes

Material

Flipchart and markers, Copy of the statement cards

What to do

Form groups of about four people each. Give each group a statement card and ask them to read it. After all the groups have read and discussed their statement's meaning they should develop a one minute drama to illustrate the statement.

After the drama, the other groups get one chance to say what point they think the group were trying to make. The group that correctly identifies it gains 10 points and the group who acted it out also receive 10 points. At the end, the group with the most points is the winner. The leader can award points for good effort or the nearest guess.

Once the points have been awarded, ask them to read out their statement to the large group and ask people if they think the situation was fair or not? Ask them which parts they agree with and why? Does justice mean different things in different places in the world?

Statement cards

You took money that wasn't yours. Somebody found out and told your parents who grounded you.

Every person should have enough money and food to be able to live a healthy life.

You see a crime taking place and call the police who capture the criminals.

A car driver turns a corner without looking in their mirror; you fall off your bike. Later when you see the car you damage it to get your revenge.

Women in some countries do the same work as men, for less money.

There have been a number of attacks in your area, somebody decides to try and stop these attacks to bring back the peace.

You see or know that people are being treated in a bad way and you stand up for them.