

DIVERSITY: FACE TO FACE

STEREOTYPES: The Person Not the Group

STEREOTYPES:

A too-simple and therefore distorted image of a group, such as "Football players are stupid" or "The English are cold and unfriendly people"

and this:

A generalization, usually exaggerated or oversimplified and often offensive, that is used to describe or distinguish a group

STEREOTYPES:

What are some examples of stereotypes that people encounter every day?

Why do stereotypes exist? Where did they come from and why are they so persistent, even when we know they cannot possibly be true?

STEREOTYPES:

From personal experience, how does it feel to be judged by a stereotype of a group rather than as an individual?

Are stereotypes ever "true"? Is there any case where describing someone using a stereotype is acceptable?

SIMILARITIES: The Person Not the Group

SIMILARITIES:

Having characteristics in common *or* alike in substance or essentials

and this

An aspect, trait, or feature like or resembling another or another's

SIMILARITIES:

Name some similarities that everyone in the room might share?

And why are differences also important?

SIMILARITIES:

In what ways can differences create exclusion in the workplace?

How does one find similarities with others in a workplace?

UNITY: Coming Together

UNITY:

A totality of related parts or an entity that is a complex or systematic whole

and

Something whole: something whole or complete formed by combining or joining separate things or entities

and this

A harmony of opinion, interest, or feeling

UNITY:

In what ways can we as individuals help make our workplaces more unified?

How does unity affect individual relations?

UNITY:

How have you ever helped unify a team?

Have you ever been excluded

from a team or workplace?

How have recognizing stereotypes and stopping them helped unify your team? How have similarities you have found with others helped unify your team?

BENEFITS: The Good That Will Come

BENEFITS:

Something that promotes or enhances well-being; an advantage

BENEFITS:

What are some of the benefits a diverse workplace can have as a whole?

How could your contribution to the team be considered a benefit?

BENEFITS:

What benefits do you personally get from a diverse workplace?

What can you do in the future to promote a more respectful and dignified workplace?



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