

'Speak out to make a change'

In this video, two young people talk about the racism they've faced and how they want things to change in the future.

Tasks

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises.

Preparation task

Match the definitions (a–h) with the vocabulary (1–8).

Vocabulary

1. to spread awareness
2. yelling
3. respectful
4. a protest
5. the cops
6. to sign a petition
7. on multiple occasions
8. running the place

Definition

- a. the police (informal)
- b. showing politeness to or admiration for someone
- c. in charge of or organising something
- d. shouting
- e. many times
- f. to share understanding that something exists
- g. an organised event where people show publicly that they disagree with something, often by standing or walking together, carrying signs, singing and shouting, etc.
- h. to write your name on a document signed by a large number of people to ask for change from the government or another authority

Task 1

Write a number (1–6) to put the ideas in the order that you hear them.

- _____ The young man's ideas about the future
- _____ Talking to young people about the reality
- _____ What people can do for racial equality
- _____ Advice for young black people about the police
- _____ The young man's experiences of racism
- _____ The young woman's experiences of racism

Task 2

Are the sentences true or false?

	Answer	
1. The young man has been taught that if the police stop you, you should stay still and do what they say.	True	False
2. The young man says people have died because they ignored the advice.	True	False
3. The young woman thinks people should talk to children about these issues.	True	False
4. The young man has experienced racism from children and adults.	True	False
5. The young woman says no one talked about her skin colour until she was a teenager.	True	False
6. The young man suggests different ways for people to ask for change.	True	False
7. The young woman thinks people need to do what the law says.	True	False
8. The young man wants everybody to speak out about racism.	True	False

Discussion

What can you do to help stop racism?

Answers

Preparation task

1. f
2. d
3. b
4. g
5. a
6. h
7. e
8. c

Task 1

1. Advice for young black people about the police
2. Talking to young people about the reality
3. The young man's experiences of racism
4. The young woman's experiences of racism
5. What people can do for racial equality
6. The young man's ideas about the future

Task 2

1. True
2. False
3. True
4. True
5. False
6. True
7. False
8. True