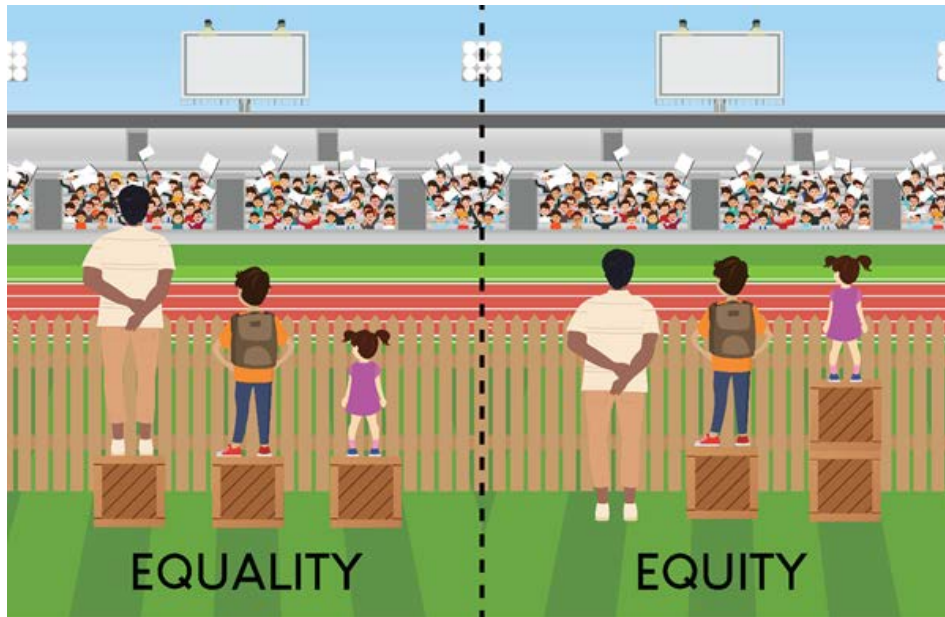


Let's Talk About... Equality and Equity

Answer Sheets



What do you notice that is different about the two images? *Responses will vary, students should note that the boxes change in each picture so that everyone is receiving the same experience once the support has changed.*

Which situation do you think is the fairest? Why? *Responses will vary. A possible response could be; The situation on the right is fairer because all three people are able to view the game equally.*

Define equality: *Responses will vary. Possible responses: The state of being equal in rights, status or opportunity. OR When everyone is given the same opportunity and is treated in the same way.*

Define equity: *Responses will vary. Possible responses: The quality of being fair and impartial. OR Equity is when everyone is able to access an opportunity equally.*

How does this image show that sometimes we need to make changes so everyone can experience the same opportunities? *Responses will vary. Possible response: Sometimes when everyone is treated 'equally', people still miss out on accessing the same experience as everyone else..*



Rule or Law?

The 'law' is a system of rules developed by the government. If you break a law, there can be serious consequences.

A 'rule' can be made by any type of group or individual and can be changed much more easily.

Read the following examples and decide whether each one is a 'rule' or a 'law'.

Tick the box to show your answer.

| | RULE | LAW |
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| No screen time after 8pm. | ✓ | |
| No driving a car without a driver's license. | | ✓ |
| No running in the hallway. | ✓ | |
| No stealing from shops. | | ✓ |
| No downloading pirated copies of movies. | | ✓ |
| No hat, no play. | ✓ | |

What are two other laws you can think of? Write them in the space below:

Responses will vary. Possible responses include; not stopping at a red light, cruelty to animals, not letting children attend school, vandalising public property, physically abusing others etc.

What are two other rules you can think of? Write them in the space below: *Responses will vary. Possible responses include; No littering in the school playground, no running inside the classroom, no talking during assembly, no swearing,*



One Rule for All?

Scenario 1

Your aunty has low vision and uses a guide dog to help her get around the city. She needs to visit the doctor and plans to catch the bus.

She waits at the bus stop but when the bus arrives, the driver says, “No animals allowed.” and drives off, leaving her at the stop.

As a result, she misses her doctor’s appointment.

Possible response: The driver could make an exception for the dog and allow your aunty on the bus.

Scenario 2

Your friend, who has diabetes, is running late for school one day and does not have time to have breakfast.

If a person with diabetes feels their blood sugar is getting low, they can get sick so it’s important they eat something straight away. Your friend feels faint in class and starts to secretly eat a chocolate bar out of his school bag.

The teacher yells at him and he gets in trouble because the class has a rule of “No eating inside”.

Possible response: the teacher could make an exception for your friend and allow him to eat in class.

Scenario 3

Your class has been given a homework task to create a brochure. It must be designed on a computer and printed out. There are marks given for your ability to design using a digital device. Several of your classmates do not have a computer at home so they do not do the task. They all receive a mark of 0. It is a school rule that everyone completes their homework.

Possible responses: The assignment could be changed so that if people do not have a computer they could complete the homework on paper instead. OR The assignment could be changed so that marks are not given for using a digital device when an assignment is for homework. OR The teacher could allow students extra time to complete the task at school instead where they can use the school’s digital devices.

Scenario 4

Your school’s soccer team makes it into the regional final tournament. A few people in your team have not had the time or money to get a new uniform, so you are not all wearing the same socks, shorts and jerseys. The organisers of the tournament say your team cannot take part because the rule is that everyone in the team wears the same uniform. Your team is disqualified, and you miss the chance to become champions.

Possible responses: The organisers of the event could have spare uniforms for teams who might not have the money to buy uniforms. OR The organisers could give a warning and then allow the players time to get more uniforms while still letting them play.



One Rule for All? (cont.)

Look at the scenarios from the previous page.

Imagine it was your friend or family member who was missing out on an opportunity or being discriminated against, how could you stop this from happening again?

Letters will vary but should include persuasive language and a clear explanation of what they would like changed and why.

The 100 Person Village

Watch the video: If the World was only 100 People

<https://online.clickview.com.au/videos/37455700/if-there-were-100-people-on-earth>

Responses will vary.