

(2) WHAT CONNECTS US?

ACTIVITY 1: Match the sentence halves 1-7 with a-g.

conform conformist do your own thing
follow the crowd have (sth) in common outsider
peer pressure rebel (v) rebel (n) stand out in a crowd

1. You can feel the peer ...
2. I'm not from here, so I feel like ...
3. Billy doesn't want to be like everyone else. He prefers to stand ...
4. Amy and I get along OK, but we don't have a huge amount ...
5. Don't worry about me. I'm going to do ...
6. Dare to be different! Don't follow ...
7. She always follows the rules. She's definitely a ...

- a) in common.
- b) an outsider.
- c) conformist.
- d) pressure at school.
- e) my own thing.
- f) the crowd
- g) out in a crowd.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7

ACTIVITY 2: Write 5 (five) things you have in common with your partner. Use the words in the box.

Key phrases Talking about similarities and differences

What sort of ... do you usually ... ?

I'd say I'm a

In terms of ..., I like stuff that's

I have good / normal / unusual taste in

We have / don't have the same taste in

We have ... in common.

ACTIVITY 3: Read the article and choose the correct alternative for the questions.

- 1 The author wrote the text to
 - a teach us about something.
 - b recommend a good book.
- 2 The author supports his/her ideas with
 - a statistics and examples from real life.
 - b strong personal opinions.
- 3 The author wants us to think about
 - a the type of stories that can influence us.
 - b the way that we behave.

ACTIVITY 4: Personal questions.

1. When was the last time you did something kind? What did you do?

2. How could you include someone like Auggie and help them fit in?

ACTIVITY 5: Complete the sentences with nouns formed from the verbs in parentheses.

-ance -ice -ing -ment -sion -tion

1. My brother's studying child _____ in college. (develop)
2. Maybe you haven't had the same experience, but you can use your _____.
3. A basic _____ of how emotions affect the body can be very helpful. (understand)
4. What was Luke's _____ to the news? (react)
5. You shouldn't judge people by their _____. (appear)
6. Did you see the _____ on Jasmine's face? (express)
7. I've almost finished my essay, but I still need to write the _____. (conclude)
8. What's the best _____ for a sore throat? (treat)
9. Emil will need to do a lot of _____ before his driving test. (practice)