



The ESOL Podcast 7 – ESOL and Community Organising

Part 1 – Exploring Problems

This is the 2nd listening activity that goes with The ESOL Podcast series on ESOL and Community Organising.

This worksheet goes with The ESOL Podcast 7 – ESOL and Community Organising – Part 1 Exploring Problems – [listen here](#).

This worksheet explores the different problems the students discuss.

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Match the problems with the picture below.

education

women's rights

islamophobia

xenophobia

racism

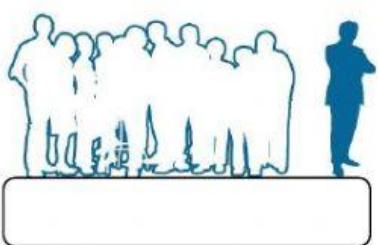
poverty

migrant's rights

transport

employment rights

housing





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Complete the sentences below.

1. In London we don't have roads for _____.
2. In some companies there is xenophobia, they keep the _____ job for people from this country.
3. Muslim women have to face racism. Some people have a problem with them wearing _____.
4. If you have a zero hours _____, your working hours change.
5. Some companies pay the _____ and you have to work hard.
6. Now we have to pay _____ charges. It is too much money.
7. _____ is very expensive at the moment.
8. The principle problem in London is _____.
9. There are a lot of people who don't speak English properly. People need _____ ESOL classes.
10. To stop poverty the government needs to build more _____ housing.

Word families

The students use a lot of different word to describe problems. Some words are in the same family. Look at these word families.

person	noun	verb	adjective
-	equality	to equalise	equal
racist	racism	-	racist
employer employee	employment	to employ	employed
-	poverty	-	poor
-	power	-	powerful powerless
-	empowerment	to empower	
xenophobe	xenophobia	-	xenophobic
-	culture	-	cultural
-	affordability	to afford	affordable

Which word fills the gap best?

1. The UK is not an _____ country.
2. _____ is discrimination.
3. Some _____ treat their workers unfairly.
4. _____ is one of the biggest problems.
5. We are more _____ when we work together.
6. Women's _____ is an important issue.
7. It is _____ to treat people from different countries differently.
8. People come from different _____.
9. The government needs to build more _____ housing.

The next listening activity in the series is [here](#).

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