(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.

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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)

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