

CONTROVERSIAL TOPICS

VOCABULARY: put the letters in brackets in the correct order to complete the sentences

1. His remarks on her physical appearance sparked _____ (REVNOCTORYS) within the group.
2. There was a _____ (TEHAED) debate in the session: a lot of conflict and interruptions.
3. You shouldn't discuss topics that are _____ (MEDEED) controversial like religion, sex, etc.
4. Mary loves to argue with people and stands up for her ideas, so she never _____ (SISHE) away from conflict.
5. Gossiping and lying go against cultural _____ (ROMES) in most countries.
6. Covid 19 restrictions were a hot _____ (TUBONT) not long ago
7. We may have different views on topics, but we should always find _____ (MOCOMN) ground
8. There was a _____ (IDSTUPE) over working conditions during the staff meeting.

GRAMMAR: Each sentence has a mistake in it. Rewrite the sentences and correct the mistake (write the whole sentence, and pay attention to commas, periods, etc.)

1. I firmly believe that people is becoming more and more sensitive about small things than ever before these days.

2. This topic is spark a lot of debate nowadays.

3. Nowadays, fewer and fewer individuals abiding by social norms.

4. Mary is geting more and more interested about the issues in her country these days.

5. More and more countries are worring about their carbon footprint at the moment, so I definitely think it's a positive sign, isn't it?

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VIDEO: Watch the video and select the correct option to answer the questions



1. Which of these topics does he NOT mention as an example of controversial topics?

- a) Vaccination status
- b) Police reform
- c) Voting inclinations
- d) Abortion reform

2. What is the most important strategy to reduce defensiveness in others?

- a) To eliminate offensiveness in you
- b) To eliminate defensiveness in you
- c) To have both offensiveness and defensiveness

3. What does he advice on?

- a) Faking respect
- b) Becoming more respectful
- c) Both

4. What will probably happen if you make people feel they're safe with you?

- a) Defensiveness will drop a little
- b) Defensiveness will drop significantly
- c) Offensiveness will drop substantially