

Wherever there is a human being there is an opportunity for kindness."

- Seneca

Themes: Social awareness, empathy, respect for others, self-awareness, reflecting, relationship building, communication

Claims: We have a moral obligation to treat people with kindness. Assume the best in people.

Counterclaims: Not all human beings deserve kindness and so the better attitude to have when you meet people is to treat them with polite suspicion until you know they are deserving of kindness.

Essential Question: Do all people deserve kindness?

Storytelling: Talk about a time when you treated somebody with kindness even though you didn't know him/her. Why did you decided kindness was the right approach to take? Talk about a time when you treated somebody with kindness and you were taken advantage of? Did that experience make you less willing to treat people with kindness in the future? Why?