

Muslims in Britain

Workshop Intentions

- To explore concepts in connection with Islamophobia and perceptions of Muslims.
- Contribute to a debate on a sensitive contemporary issue.

Activity 1

- In groups of 3 write down your thoughts about Muslims.
- Be open and honest about what you think
- Select a group spokesperson who can share your thoughts with the class

Activity 2

- Class discussion
- Are there any thoughts or comments that are the same from each group?
- Make a list of these on the board

Activity 3

- Watch the film clip
- You have been given a sheet with details of the people in the film
- In your groups write down any positive words or actions that you heard from each character

Recap

- Discussion
- Did you know any of the facts from the film before you watched the film?
- Has the film made you change your opinion about Muslims? Can you explain why?

Activity 4

- After listening to the featured Muslims speak about their love of Britain and their opposition to Islamist extremism, in your groups discuss how you would feel if you and the community you are part of was blamed for things that you had no control over.
- Share your thoughts with the class

Activity 5

- Think about the impact of social media and how groups will often use the likes of Facebook to spread propaganda and lies about Muslims.
- Can you think of any examples where they have seen negative stories or propaganda about Muslims either on social media or in newspapers?

Plenary

- Discussion
- Has this film helped you to alter your opinions about Muslims in Britain today?
- Explain why.